



**Girl Scouts Heart of the Hudson
New City Regional Office
211 Red Hill Road, New City NY 10956**

GIRL SCOUT CODE OF CONDUCT AGREEMENT FORM

I understand that my attitude and behavior are critical to the success of the trip. Therefore, for the good of the trip as well as my fellow group members, I agree and abide by the following:

1. I will try to be sensitive to the needs of each group member.
2. I will respect the places and the people with whom I come in contact.
3. I understand that the use of tobacco, alcohol, or drugs will not be tolerated, and that usage during the trip will result in expulsion from the trip.
4. I will be responsible for my personal belongings and equipment and will not hold the Girl Scout Council responsible for their loss or damage due to my negligence or neglect.
5. I will follow safety rules and procedures to ensure my safety as well as that of my peers..
6. I understand that if I am sent home early due to any serious misconduct, it will be at my parent's or guardian's expense and that the Council staff will make the travel arrangements and notify my parent or guardian of those plans.

Participant's Signature

Date

I read, understand and agree that my daughter should comply with the above responsibilities during a Girl Scout trip.

Parent or Guardian's Signature

Date

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ADULT VOLUNTEER CODE OF CONDUCT AGREEMENT FORM

For adults accompanying or supervising Girl Scouts participating in a Council – sponsored trip:
I understand that as a Girl Scout leader/parent, I play an essential role in the success of the trip and that my attitudes, behavior, and responsibilities as a role model are critical to its success.

I, therefore, agree to do the following:

- ❖ Be sensitive to the needs of each girl participant.
- ❖ Respect the places and the people with whom I come in contact.
- ❖ Provide all required information and forms for myself.
- ❖ Follow GSUSA's and the council's health and safety standards during all phases of the project.
- ❖ Carry out "adults only" responsibilities during the event.
- ❖ As a role model please do not smoke in front of the girls.
- ❖ Understand that the use of illegal drugs will not be tolerated.
- ❖ Agree to abide by council policy on the use of alcohol: "Any time a parent/adult is in the role of supervisor of a Girl Scout and has responsibility for Girl Scouts, there is to be no possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages by that adult."
- ❖ Be responsible for my personal belongings.
- ❖ Follow agreed – upon safety rules and procedures.
- ❖ I understand that if I am dismissed due to any serious misconduct, it will be at my expense and that the Girl Scout Heart of the Hudson Council staff will make the travel arrangements.
- ❖ Provide supervision to our group throughout the trip under the direction of the Trip Coordinator.

Signature _____ Date _____

VOLUNTEER CODE OF CONDUCT: As an adult volunteer working with other adults to provide Council – sponsored program opportunities for girls. I will do my best:

- ◆ to conduct myself in a manner consistent with the beliefs and principles of the Girl Scout movement as embodied in the Promise and Law;
- ◆ to be sensitive to others, respecting individual needs and differences, as well as the value of ethnic and cultural diversity;
- ◆ to create a warm, open and accepting environment which can foster a spirit of friendship among all;
- ◆ to relate to others, especially children, in a manner which is consistent with and appropriate to their physical, mental and emotional development;
- ◆ to reflect acceptable ethical and moral values by my words and actions;
- ◆ to be aware of and follow health and safety practices and procedures as a demonstration of my concern for the well- being of all.

Respect means being considerate of other people's feelings, ideas, opinions and needs as well as our own; listening with all our senses, and responding appropriately.

- ◆ Allow children to learn by experience.
- ◆ Encourage participation, but do not insist upon it.
- ◆ Give directions that are appropriate for the girls' ages and ability levels.
- ◆ When limits are necessary, they should be clearly defined and maintained consistently.
- ◆ Be flexible and patient.
- ◆ Create a climate of affection and communicate enthusiasm.
- ◆ Speak in quiet, pleasant tones.
- ◆ Phrase directions positively.
- ◆ Avoid making comparisons among children.
- ◆ Handle unexpected situations calmly.
- ◆ Set a good example in all that you do.
- ◆ Nurture your own sense of humor and have fun!