

TROOP 608 UNIFORMING POLICY

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The Troop 608 Policies & Procedures Agreement mentions the following with regard to uniforming for scouts:

UNIFORMING: *Just as it is important for team sports members to be properly uniformed so they are recognized as a team member, all members of Troop 608 are expected to wear the complete BSA uniform. This consists of the BSA Shirt with red epaulets and appropriate insignia as displayed in the inside front and back covers of the BSA Handbook, BSA belt, BSA shorts or long pants, BSA uniform socks (not BSA activity socks), and Merit Badge sash. Each scout must also have a copy of the Boy Scout Handbook. If purchasing the uniform becomes a financial problem, this matter should be addressed with the Scoutmaster.*

First and foremost, uniform parts can be expensive. **All** articles of the uniform *must* be marked with the scout's name and troop number. This allows the return of the uniform parts to their rightful owners when they get lost and reduces the number of replacement parts needed!

The troop has various levels of uniforming for various events. To eliminate confusion, each uniform level will be listed along with what should be worn.

(1) Dress Uniform — Class “A”

Worn at formal troop events, such as Troop Courts of Honor, Eagle Courts of Honor, or other formal scouting events.

Consists of: Class A shirt, Troop Neckerchief and slide, Scout Pants/Shorts, Scout Uniform (not activity) Socks, Scout Belt, and Merit Badge Sash. As per the BSA Insignia Guide, the dress uniform is always worn without headgear.

(2) Troop Meeting Uniform — Class “A”

This is the uniform to be worn to weekly troop meetings.

Consists of: Class A shirt, Scout Pants/Shorts, Scout Uniform (not activity) Socks, Scout Belt. No headgear should be worn with the troop meeting uniform. The troop neckerchief is optional at meetings unless going before a Board of Review.

(3) Travel Uniform — Class “A” or “B”

This is the uniform we will wear for travel to and from events. It may be Class “A” or Class “B”, depending on the situation.

Class “A” Travel Uniform consists of: Class A shirt, Scout Pants/Shorts, Scout Uniform (not activity) Socks, Scout Belt, and Troop 608 Hat.

Class “B” Travel Uniform consists of: Troop 608 T-Shirt, Scout Pants/Shorts, Scout Uniform or Activity Socks, Scout Belt, and Troop 608 Hat.

On most campouts, unless specified (such as a Camporee), the uniform for the weekend should be Class “B” (camp/scouting) t-shirts, or if you do not have Class B's, regular t-shirts. No t-shirts advertising alcoholic beverages, cigarettes, etc. are to be worn. Any BSA-approved hat (such as a camp hat, etc.) is allowed during a campout, once we have arrived at the site. No non-BSA headgear is allowed for troop events.

NOTE: The Scoutmaster and all Assistant Scoutmasters are expected to follow these uniforming guidelines.