Here is an example of a troop behavior plan based on several other troop plans. This example of a unit behavior plan and code of conduct is presented strictly as an example.    The Narragansett Council does not reject or endorse the specifics of the plan.   Units are encouraged to positively address their own particular needs based on the [12 Points of the Scout Law](http://www.scoutingbsa.org/programs/boyscouts/Principles_of_Scouting/Oath_Law_Slogan_Motto.html#law)

**TROOP BEHAVIOR PLAN—An Example**

 **CODE OF CONDUCT:**  Annually, at recharter time, each Scout will review and sign the Code of Conduct. Scouts should then obtain his or her parent’s signature and return the signed Code of Conduct form to the Scoutmaster. Parents should also receive a copy of the behavior plan.

After the recharter date, any Scout who has not turned in a signed Code of Conduct form to the Scoutmaster, will not be permitted to participate in Troop \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ events/activities.

**GOOD BEHAVIOR REWARDS:**Troop \_\_\_\_\_\_ leadership will strive to recognize, acknowledge, and when appropriate, reward good behavior.

**CORRECTING BEHAVIOR**: Many instances of inappropriate behavior simply need calling it out, correcting it, and redirecting the Scout. Issues like foul language, bad attitude, angry (but non-violent) outbursts, minor violations of safety rules, breaking game rules, etc. can often be addressed directly and quickly by youth or adult leaders without requiring disciplinary action. However, when such behavior is repeated or is a habit, it may require further action.

**INAPPROPRIATE BEHAVIOR CONSEQUENCES:**Behavior that is contrary to the Code of Conduct will be addressed by the following leadership.

LEVEL

1. Patrol Leader/Assistant Patrol Leader
2. Senior Patrol Leader/Assistant Senior Patrol Leader
3. Assistant Scoutmaster/Junior Assistant Scoutmaster
4. Scoutmaster

Except in cases of youth protection issues, abuse or criminal behavior, it is our goal to address discipline issues within the youth and/or adult leaders in the troop.

1. Troop Committee
2. Narragansett Council/BSA

It is expected that two individuals will first attempt to resolve an issue between themselves before anyone else (youth or adult) need to become involved.

The above levels are the standard order.  This order will change depending on the type of activity, such as on a non-patrol structured activity the Scout in Charge will be Level 1.

If behavior issue or problem is not resolved at lower level, it will then be taken to the next level.  Addressing the problem may automatically go to a higher level based on the severity of the behavior or level of Scout/s involved.

Process may include, but is not limited to:

A.   Leader to address inappropriate behavior and identify acceptable resolution.

B.   Meeting of the party/ies involved, the appropriate youth leadership, and two registered adults, to discuss issue and planned resolution.

C.  Meeting of youth leadership, Scoutmaster, and at least one other registered adult, to determine resolution.

D.  Meeting of Scoutmaster and other adult leadership to determine resolution.

Consequences may include, but are not limited to:

-     Apology to the offended individual/s.

-     Written reflection on the point of the Scout Oath or Law which was not followed.

-     Assigned additional tasks.

-     Removal from activity or not allow participation in future activity/ies.

-     Removal from leadership position.

-     Suspension or removal from Troop.

-     Other actions as determined by the Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmaster, or Registered Committee Member.

Issues of abuse, sexual harassment or violations of youth protection policies must be reported to the Narragansett Council

**TROOP \_\_\_\_\_\_ CODE OF CONDUCT—An Example**

In order to provide a positive, safe, and enriching environment or all Scouts; while offering opportunities for wonderful adventures; the following standards have been established:

1. I will follow the Scout Law, Oath, Outdoor Code, Motto, and Slogan.  I will remember that these are the basis for all the following rules and should be the basis for all of my actions.
2. I will treat others with respect. No name-calling, insults, or bad-natured teasing. Sexual comments, sexual activity, flirting, or ogling (staring at others) are inappropriate.
3. Jokes, insults, skits or songs based on race, ethnicity, religion, gender, sexual orientation, age, or disability have no place in Scouting.
4. I am expected to follow the posted or verbal schedule of activities and assignments specified by the troop leadership.
5. I will do my best to be on time and wear the appropriate uniform for all troop events.
6. I may not use or possess any alcoholic beverages, marijuana, tobacco, vaping products, e-cigarettes or illegal drugs.  If found or detected, my parents (and/or the police, if necessary) will be notified immediately.
7. I will respect the privacy of other Scouts and adults in bathrooms, showers, tents and cabins/Adirondacks
8. When on outings I understand, unless otherwise posted, that lights will be out, I will be quiet, and I will be in bed by 11:00 P.M.
9. No visitors will be allowed in other people’s tents from 11:00 P.M. until 8:00 A.M.
10. Sounds that can be heard outside my tent after lights out are disrespectful and disturbing to others.  Lack of compliance will be dealt with by the troop leaders.
11. I will take responsibility for any property owned by a camp, the troop, or another individual that I damage.
12. The use of profanity, abusive language, and threats of violence or rape will not be permitted.
13. I will not bring any electronic devices like cell phones, music players, radios, game devices, etc. to any troop event.  An exception to this rule can be made only by the Scoutmaster, no other troop youth or adult leader. (Different troops have different policies on this subject. Your troop’s policy regarding electronic devices should be explained.)
14. I will use matches and lighters only when appropriate and safe and only if I have my Firem’n Chit.
15. I will use knives, saws, and/or axes only when appropriate and safe and only if I have my Totin’ Chip.
16. I will use the buddy system on all troop activities.

Troop \_\_\_\_\_ is primarily responsible for the behavior, safety, and welfare of our members on all camping events.  At District or Council events, as well as at BSA camps, all District/Council/camp leaders have the right and responsibility of helping and correcting any problem they encounter.  I will follow the directions of those leaders as if they were my troop’s leaders.

Scout’s Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent’s Signature \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*This form is signed once a year at recharter time.  It must be signed by the Scout and parent/guardian and turned in to the Scoutmaster prior to participating in any Troop activities.*