

NYLT Statement of Understanding and Code of Conduct

Statement of Understanding:

All NYLT course staff and Participants are selected to represent their local councils based on their qualifications in character, camping skills, physical and personal fitness, and leadership qualities. Therefore, NYLT course staff, participants, and their parents or guardians are asked to read this Code of Conduct and Statement of Understanding as a condition of participation. It is with the further understanding that serious misconduct or infraction of rules and regulations may result in expulsion from the NYLT course. Ultimately, we want each staff member and participant to be responsible for his or her own behavior, and only when necessary will the procedure be invoked to send a staff member or participant home from the NYLT course.

Code of Conduct:

1. The Scout Oath and Law will be my guide throughout the NYLT Course.
2. I will set a good example by keeping myself neatly dressed and presentable in the proper NYLT course uniform.
3. I will attend all scheduled programs and participate as required in cooperation with the NYLT course staff and participants.
4. I will be responsible for keeping my tent and personal gear labeled, clean, and neat. I will do more than my share to prevent littering of the BSA Camp we are using.
5. I understand that the purchase, possession, or consumption of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs by any NYLT course staff and participants is prohibited.
6. Serious and/or repetitive behavior violations by youth, including use of tobacco, vaping, cheating, stealing, dishonesty, swearing, fighting, and cursing are prohibited.
7. I understand that gambling of any form is prohibited.
8. I understand that improper use of lasers and fireworks are prohibited.
9. I will demonstrate respect for NYLT course and BSA Camp property and be personally responsible for any loss, breakage, or vandalism of property as a result of my actions.
10. Neither NYLT Course Staff nor the BSA Camp Staff will be responsible for loss, breakage, or theft of personal items. I will label all my personal items and leave items of value at home. Theft will be grounds for expulsion.
11. While participating in any NYLT course activities, I will obey the safety rules and instructions of all staff members.
12. In accordance with U.S., local and state laws, adult leaders and all youth are prohibited from having firearms and weapons in their possession.
13. Scoutmasters and assistants will be guided by the Scout Oath and Scout Law and will obey all U.S., local, and state laws.
14. Hazing or any action which fails to show respect for an individual is prohibited.

Serious violations of this code may result in expulsion from the NYLT course. All decisions by the Scoutmaster or Course Director will be final.

I certify that I have read this Statement of Understanding and agree to abide by the conditions in the Code of Conduct of the NYLT course.

(participant signature)

All NYLT Course adult leaders are responsible for the supervision of all course staff and participants in respect to maintaining discipline, security, safety, and the NYLT Code of Conduct.