Troop 64 Behavior Policy

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1. Why We Need a Behavior Policy

If everyone were well-behaved, we would not have to put behavior policies into writing. Since this is not the case, this sheet documents policies agreed upon by the Troop 64 uniformed leaders.

Our goal is to enable productive troop meetings and events while helping our Scouts grow into mature, productive, well-disciplined young men.

2. Personal Entertainment Electronics

Personal entertainment electronics include, but are not limited to, Game Boys, iPods, MP3 players, iPhones, DVD players, computers, and cellular phones. These devices distract Scouts from the world around them, whether they are at a meeting or on a campout. Personal entertainment electronics are not to be used at Boy Scout events, which include, but are not limited to, troop meetings, PLC meetings, merit badge meetings, hikes, and campouts. Cell phones may be needed to call parents at the end of an event, but must stay in pockets or backpacks until the end of the event.

- If we see a personal entertainment electronics device once, we will ask the Scout once to put it away.
- If we see it again, we will confiscate it until the end of the meeting or event.
- If the Scout resists confiscation, his parents will be called and he will be sent home.

3. Disruptive Behavior

The third, fifth, and seventh points of the Scout Law are: A Scout is helpful, courteous, and obedient. Some of our Scouts have been behaving in ways contrary to the Scout Law, disrupting meetings, disappearing before meetings are over, and helping to create chaos. We want our events to be fun, but at the same time there must be some level of control and self-discipline.

For boys exhibiting disruptive behavior or disappearing during meetings, the following will happen:

- A single warning will be given to the Scout at that meeting.
- The Scout will be sent home at the next occurrence.
- If poor behavior continues for two or three meetings, a leader will talk to the Scout's parents about what further actions should be taken.

4. Acknowledgements

Please sign your name below to acknowledge that you understand these policies.

Date	Signature	Name	Patrol