



Ship's Code

Sea Scout Ship 468, Bay Area Council, BSA
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Pearland, TX



THE SEA PROMISE

As a Sea Scout I promise to do my best:

- To guard against water accidents;
- To know the location and proper use of the lifesaving devices on every boat I board;
- To be prepared to render aid to those in need;
- To seek to preserve the motto of the sea,
Women and children first.

VENTURING OATH

As a Venturer,

I promise to do my duty to God
and help strengthen America,
to help others, and
to seek truth, fairness,
and adventure
in our world.

VENTURING CODE

As a Venturer,

I believe that America's strength lies in our trust in God and in the courage, strength, and traditions of our people. I will, therefore, be faithful in my religious duties and will maintain a personal sense of honor in my own life. I will treasure my American heritage and will do all I can to preserve and enrich it. I will recognize the dignity and worth of all humanity and will use fair play and goodwill in my daily life. I will acquire the Venturing attitude that seeks truth in all things and adventure on the frontiers of our changing world.

THE OUTDOOR CODE

As an American, I will do my best to...

- Be clean in my outdoor manners.
- Be careful with fire.
- Be considerate in the outdoors.
- Be conservation-minded.

THE SCOUT LAW

A Scout is:

- Trustworthy,
- Loyal,
- Helpful,
- Friendly,
- Courteous,
- Kind,
- Obedient,
- Cheerful,
- Thrifty,
- Brave,
- Clean, and
- Reverent

THE SCOUT OATH

On my honor, I will do my best
To do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law;
To help other people at all times;
To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake and morally straight

The three promises of the Scout Oath are:

DUTY TO GOD AND COUNTRY: Your family and religious leaders teach you to know and serve God. By following these teachings, you do your duty to God. Men and women of the past worked to make America great, and many gave their lives for their country. By being a good family member and a good citizen, by working for your country's good and obeying its laws, you do your duty to your country. Obeying the Scout Law means living by its 12 points.

DUTY TO OTHER PEOPLE: Many people need help. A cheerful smile and a helping hand make life easier for others. By doing a Good Turn daily and helping when you're needed, you prove yourself a Scout and do your part to make this a better world.

DUTY TO SELF: Keeping yourself physically strong means taking care of your body. Eat the right foods and build your strength. Staying mentally awake means learn all you can, be curious, and ask questions. Being morally straight means to live your life with honesty, to be clean in your speech and actions, and to be a person of strong character.



Ship's Standards

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This list is published for the general information of everyone in our Ship. Make a point to also become familiar with standing operating procedures, regulations, orders, and drills the ship will prescribe from time to time.

1. We are chartered by the BSA and sponsored by St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Pearland, TX, and operate subject to all of the rules established by Scouting and our sponsor.
2. We will know the Sea Promise and the Scout Oath and Law by memory, and be familiar with Venturing ideals.
3. Petty officers and Sea Scouts will make a continuous and progressive effort in advancement.
4. The uniform, when prescribed, will be complete and worn in the proper manner. Covers will be worn out of doors, and indoors during ceremonies. Wearing the uniform proudly of Sea Scout Ship 468 is both a privilege and a responsibility.
5. At any meeting or event, be on deck wearing prescribed uniform and equipment required not later than the time announced.
6. An officer will be addressed as "sir" or "ma'am."
7. The authority and responsibility of your petty officers and officers will be respected. Deal with your immediate superior. Secure your immediate superior's permission if you want to take a problem to higher authority. Such a request will not be denied, but must be made first. If an order is objected to, carry it out before requesting such permission.
8. You are subject to supervision and control of the Ship in the harbor, boat yard, vessels, and location of any Ship's activity until dismissed. Any infringement will result in punishment decided by the Quarterdeck. Second infringement will result in the removal from camp by the Sea Scout's parent.
9. On trips, girls are not allowed in the boys' berths or sleep areas at all, and boys are not allowed in the girls' berths or sleep area at all. Boundaries as well as an agreeable social area will be designated at the time of the trip.
10. Official communications with outside, affiliated, or related organizations or individuals will be conducted through the Skipper or Boatswain or their designee. No other person can make any commitment for the Ship.
11. General meetings of the Ship are mandatory formations. If absence is unavoidable, notify your immediate superior. Special activities, with the exception of fund-raisers, are not mandatory formations. However, if you sign up, you should attend. If absence is unavoidable notify the person in charge in advance.
12. Wherever a question or uncertainty exists about proper conduct, rules, and orders, you should ask the person in charge. If he or she does not have the answer, he or she is obligated to admit so first, make a temporary ruling only if circumstances require, and find out as soon afterward as possible.



Ship's By-Laws

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1. Objectives

The objectives of Sea Scout Ship 468 are:

- a. To learn;
- b. To share responsibilities; and
- c. To have fun.

2. Membership

Membership shall be open to all young adults of high school-age living in the surrounding area who are in senior high school or at least 14 years of age. No prospective member shall be disqualified because of race, color, creed, or sex. All members must be registered as Sea Scouts and agree to the ship code and bylaws.

3. Officers

- a. The elected officers shall be boatswain, two boatswain's mates, yeoman, and purser. The duties of the officers are prescribed in this manual.
- b. The normal term of office shall be for six months starting on May 1 and November 1. Elections shall be held in April and October.
- c. The boatswain shall appoint a nominating committee, which shall consist of three members. The committee shall present a complete slate of candidates who have agreed, if elected, to serve to the best of their abilities.
- d. On the night of the elections, any member may present nominations from the floor. If the nomination is seconded and the candidate agrees to serve, he or she must be included on the ballot.
- e. All contested ballots shall be secret.
- f. Nominees must be willing and able to serve in the position elected for the full term of the office.

4. Ship Business

Ship business will be conducted under the principles outlined in *Robert's Rules of Order*. Voting on all issues will be by simple majority, with the exception of changes or amendments to the bylaws, which will require a two-thirds vote of the total active membership. A quorum shall consist of one more than the majority of members for a vote on routine business.

5. General Meetings

General meetings will be held every Wednesday at 1930-2100. The boatswain may call special meetings as needed.

6. Officers' Meetings

Officers' meetings will be held at least once a month, usually the first meeting of the month. The boatswain as needed may call special meetings.

7. Dues

Dues will be \$5.00 per month, payable at the first meeting of every month. Dues for college reserve members will be \$2.00 per month. Two months of delinquent dues make the member ineligible to participate in activities.



8. Money Earning

Dues will be supplemented by money-earning activities involving the participation of all members. Members not participating may not be entitled to the benefits of the money derived from the activities. The Skipper must approve all money-earning projects and projects must meet the requirements listed on the BSA Unit Money Earning Application, No. 34427.

9. Recruiting

Each scout is encouraged to recruit new members.