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## Policy on dress standards during resident camp

**This policy establishes the dress standards during resident camp at Camp Karoondinha.**

**Changes to this policy must be approved by the Executive Board. Exceptions to the policy may be granted as set forth in the policy.**

1. **Appropriate attire is an aspect of youth protection.**
2. **Policy on dress standards during resident camp**
  - a. The following standards and guidelines are established for the dress of youth and adults during resident camp.
    - 1) General
      - a) The wear of appropriate clothing is required at all times in camp. Appropriate clothing must always present a modest appearance.
      - b) The normal attire in camp is a shirt (short or long sleeve); shorts, skorts, or pants; and footwear.
      - c) Articles of clothing which advertise or promote anything that may contradict the values and ideals that Scouting is trying to teach should be left at home.
      - d) Shirts.
        - i. All shirts must be at least waist length.
        - ii. Scouts are encouraged to wear their Scouting t-shirts.
        - iii. Shirts that exhibit slogans or products that are against Scouting principles are not allowed in camp.
        - iv. The wear of tank tops and sleeveless shirts are not allowed in camp except during aquatic activities.
      - e) Footwear.
        - i. Closed-toe shoes (such as boots, sneakers or closed toe sandals) are the required footwear in camp except at aquatics activities.
        - ii. Open-toe shoes (such as sandals, flip-flops or crocs) are only permitted in the shower houses and pool areas. Open-toe shoes are not permitted at the lakefront.



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- 2) Uniforms.
  - a) It is recommended that all attending resident camp have and properly wear a Scout uniform while in camp for morning flag, breakfast, evening flag, dinner, camp-wide campfires. and chapel service.
  - b) The Scout uniform while in camp must include at least the uniform shirt (correctly worn). Individuals are also encouraged to wear the uniform shorts, skorts, or pants and socks. The wear of a Scout neckerchief is also encouraged as determined by unit leaders.
- 3) Swimwear.
  - a) Swimsuits should be appropriate to the activity, comfortable, functional, and modest.
  - b) For males, swim trunks or board shorts are appropriate. Tight fitting swim briefs or swim bottoms short enough to allow exposure are not allowed.
  - c) For females, tankinis or one-piece swimsuits with modest coverage are appropriate. Bikinis and monokinis are not allowed.
  - d) Swimsuits must be secure enough to not shift or fall off while participating in aquatic activities.
  - e) The wear of swimsuits around camp, except during participation in aquatic activities, is not allowed. It is permissible to wear swimsuits between the unit's campsite and aquatic activities, but a shirt must also be worn.
  - f) A t-shirt or additional layer, such as a rash guard top, is allowed for wear with a swimsuit during an aquatic activity if it does not hinder the safety of the individual, such as hampering movement in the water.
- b. Compliance.
  - 1) Units are encouraged to review this policy with all participants before attendance at camp.
  - 2) It is the responsibility of each participant at resident camp to understand and comply with the policy on dress standards in resident camp. Compliance starts with individual responsibility. It is reinforced by buddy checks and leaders.
  - 3) Unit leaders are expected to ensure compliance during resident camp by members of their unit. Units are encouraged to hold daily attire and/or uniform inspections in order to make any necessary corrections.
  - 4) If there are concerns about any individual's attire, the concern should be presented to the Camp Director or Program Director for resolution.
  - 5) The continued violation of the standards and guidelines in this policy, after formal notice of a need for correction, can result in expulsion from resident camp.



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- 6) If requested, the Camp Director may grant individual exceptions to this policy based on a medical condition if such an exception is determined to be justified.
- c. This policy will remain in effect until updated, superseded, or discontinued.

