

PATHFINDER MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

PLEDGE

By the grace of God
I will be pure, kind, and true
I will keep the Pathfinder Law
I will be a servant to God
And a friend to man

(Please check one that applies)

I wish to:
 Apply for membership
 Renew my membership
 Transfer my membership
from _____

LAW

Keep the morning watch
Do my honest best
Care for my body
Keep a level eye
Be courteous and obedient
Walk softly in the sanctuary
Keep a song in my heart
Go on God's errands

Personal Information

Name _____ Age _____ Birthdate _____
Address _____ Male _____ Female _____
City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Phone Number _____ Grade in School _____ Baptized? Yes _____ No _____
Name of Church _____

Check all level(s) you have completed:

E-TRACKER: Friend Companion Explorer Ranger
VARSITY: Voyager Guide Pioneer Navigator

APPLICANT'S COMMITMENT: I agree to be guided by the rules of the Club and the Pathfinder Pledge and Law, and I will attend Club meetings, campouts, and other Club outings and activities.

Signature of Pathfinder: _____ Date: _____

Family History

Father: Name: _____ Email: _____
Phone #: _____ Seventh-day Adventist? Yes _____ No _____ Church: _____
Has he worked with Pathfinders before? Yes _____ No _____ Master Guide? Yes _____ No _____

Mother: Name: _____ Email: _____
Phone #: _____ Seventh-day Adventist? Yes _____ No _____ Church: _____
Has she worked with Pathfinders before? Yes _____ No _____ Master Guide? Yes _____ No _____

PARENT OR GUARDIAN APPROVAL: We hereby verify the applicant is in at least fifth grade. We have read the Pathfinder Pledge and Law and are willing and desirous that the applicant becomes a Pathfinder. We will assist the applicant in observing the rules and guidelines of the Pathfinder organization. As parents (or guardians), we understand that the Pathfinder Club program is an active one for the applicant. It includes many opportunities for service, adventure, discipleship training, and fun. We will cooperate:

- 1. By learning how we can assist the applicant and his/her leaders.
- 2. By encouraging the applicant to take an active part in all Club activities.
- 3. By attending event to which parents are invited.
- 4. By assisting Club leaders and by serving as leaders if called upon.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

CLUB USE ONLY

Membership Application completed Uniform Arrangements Made
 Health & Medical Records Dues Paid

Inducted into Full Membership on: _____

Signature of Club Director: _____ Date: _____

MEDICAL CONSENT

In these days of lawsuits, medical consent forms are a necessity for every outing. The basic idea of the form is that it gives parental authorization for a doctor to treat a minor. It also provides information on where the parents and family doctor can be located.

The consent form provides protection for the doctor, the child, and the Club director.

1. TheDoctor - a doctor who would give medical assistance to a child without the parents' knowledge, would take a tremendous risk. If the results are serious or even fatal, the parents may sue. A signed consent form may be enough to persuade a doctor that the parents are unlikely to sue. (Many young people have been given medical aid at a remote hospital or office after the leader produced a consent form. Other times the form has not helped at all).
2. TheChild - leaders who take a child on an outing have an obligation to provide the best medical care. Not having a form could severely reduce that chance.
3. TheDirector - if a child is injured and unable to get proper medical care because the director did not bother to require medical consent forms, that director could certainly be a target for a liability suit.

Note:

Medical consent forms may be dated in such a way that they are suitable for the whole year. This has the obvious advantage of saving a lot of work in collecting new forms for each outing. There are two disadvantages to year-long consent forms. First, a form signed several months ago will not be as impressive to a doctor as one signed yesterday. Secondly, the form won't have current information on the location of the parents. They may be out of town the weekend of the particular outing on which their child is injured. Use your judgment.

Local Club Use Only

MEDICAL CONSENT FORM

(This form must be notarized)

Child's Name _____ Birthdate _____ Sex _____

Cell Phone # _____ Phone # _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Medical insurance _____ Policy # _____

Father's Name _____ Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____ Office Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Medical insurance _____ Policy # _____

Mother's Name _____ Home Phone _____

Cell Phone _____ Office Phone _____

Address City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Medical insurance _____ Policy # _____

Physician's Name _____ Phone _____

MEDICAL HISTORY

Weight _____ Height _____ Last Tetanus shot _____

Food allergies _____

Medication allergies _____

Medications receiving now _____

Medical history (i.e., recent surgery, diabetic, chronic illness) _____

Person to notify in case of accident or illness if parents are not available

Name _____ Phone # _____

Relationship to child: _____

I, _____, (parent/guardian) give the following emergency medical treatment consent for the above-named child. Effective from date of _____ to _____.

- Emergency Surgery
- First Aid
- Both of the above
- None of the above

(One of the types of treatment must be marked.)

ALL MEDICAL CONSENTS MUST BE NOTARIZED

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____

Subscribed and acknowledged before me this _____ day of _____,

by _____, who is personally known to me or who has produced _____ as identification.

(Notarial Seal) Notary _____ Public signature, State of Florida

CODE OF CONDUCT

1. Pathfinders will be on time at all Club meetings and events. Chronic tardiness will be taken into account when evaluating a Pathfinder's Personal Performance.
2. **Field Uniform** (club t-shirt, shorts with length to the knees or jeans, tennis shoes) will be worn at all **Club meetings** and **informal activities** and functions unless specified otherwise, including campouts. Open toe shoes are not allowed at Club meetings.
3. Complete **Class A or B** uniform will be worn at all **formal Club activities** and designated Club meetings. Class A uniform consists of: tan shirt with all patches and pins, slacks (boys), black skirt or black pants (girls), black socks (boys) black socks or tan nylons (girls), black dress shoes (closed-toe), sash, scarf, black belt/buckle, and uniforms slide. Class B uniform is all of the above without the sash, scarf, and slide.
4. **Jewelry:** We, as members of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, believe that the wearing of jewelry and the display of wealth it implies is inconsistent with Pathfinding's principles. Therefore, we request that no visible jewelry be worn to any Pathfinder function. This also prevents the loss of valuable items.
5. Pathfinder should attempt to participate in every activity and will maintain good conduct always.
6. Pathfinders will not talk back to Pathfinder Staff or any older person at any time. Profanity is a cause for suspension.
7. Pathfinders whose conduct presents a continual or special problem will be subject to suspension upon the staff's recommendation.
8. During Club meetings or events, Pathfinders will stay together with the counselor, instructor, or director to speak, leave the area, or to go on an errand. If a Pathfinder needs to leave the group area, they must have permission from a counselor and sign out as instructed.
9. Pathfinders will come to attention when called to "fall in" or "line up."
10. Pathfinders will treat fellow Pathfinders with courtesy and respect. Pathfinders will be a "Servant of God" and a "Friend to man" at all times, whether during Club meetings, events, at home, church, school, or in the community.
11. On Camp-outs, Pathfinders will take turns doing Kitchen Patrol duty as scheduled and help with any after camping tasks. We must work as a team. Pathfinders should not expect to go home until all equipment is cleaned and put away.
12. Pathfinders will abide by the Pathfinder's Camping Code while camping. Refer to page 67.

Agreed to by: _____

Pathfinder Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date

BASIC PATHFINDER MEETING OUTLINE SUGGESTIONS

(SAMPLE)

PRE-MEETING (20 minutes)

- Arrange meeting room
- Review plans and theme with staff
- Check supplies
- First Aid Kit should be available

PRE-OPENING (10 minutes)

- Personal welcome to each Pathfinder
- Something to do (Activity)

OPENING (4 minutes)

- Pledge to Flag, Pathfinder Pledge & Law, etc.
- Roll call
- Inspection
- Prayer

BUSINESS (4 minutes)

- Read briefly report of the previous meeting
- Follow up from the challenge
- Information about tonight's meeting given

ACTIVITIES (30-45 minutes)

- Projects directly relating to the theme
- Level work

Drilling & Marching (15 minutes)

- Games, contests, etc.

CLOSING (10 minutes)

- Songs
- Story - worship
- Prayer
- Challenge - closing thought

POST MEETING

- Review of tonight's meeting with staff
- Plans for next week/meeting

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Campout Packing Checklist

Safety Reminder:

Cooking may be done on kerosene, white gas/propane equipment only. No open fires are allowed on the Camporee grounds.

Club Leaders bring:

- Tent, stakes, poles
- Tarps for under tents
- Lanterns
- Pots & pans
- Biodegradable dish soap & dish towels
- Plates, cups, bowls
- Silverware/Plastic ware
- Cooking utensils/ can opener/ cutting board
- Matches
- Propane/white gas cook stove
- Fire Extinguisher
- Tables & Tablecloth
- Screen tent or Cook tent
- Food
- Water Containers/ Coolers
- Collapsible camp chairs
- Rope & clothespins
- Hammers
- Pathfinder Flag with stand
- American Flag with stand
- Pathfinder Guidons with stands
- First Aid kit
- Club Parade Banner
- Toilet paper (just in case)
- Garbage bags
- Hand Sanitizer

Each Pathfinder should bring:

- Sleeping bag, Pillow, Blanket
- Cot/Sleeping pad
- Plastic bags for dirty laundry
- Old towels & washcloth
- Footwear for showers (flip flops)
- Toiletry items:
 - Shampoo, soap, toothpaste, toothbrush,
 - Hairbrush, comb, deodorant, floss, hairdryer, hair bands
- Tennis shoes, hiking shoes
- Shirts, pants, shorts, underwear, socks
- Class A Dress Pathfinder Uniform
- Class B Field Uniform (Club T-shirt & pants)
- Flashlight
- Insect repellent, sunblock
- Camera (optional)
- Raincoat & jacket
- Bible
- Water Bottle/Canteen

DO NOT BRING:

Laser Pointers
Firearms
Fireworks
Alcohol
Illegal Drugs
Tobacco of any kind
Weapons

Note:

Club leaders should bring a cart or wagon so you can transport your drinking water and gray water. Available at Lowes, Home Depot, Fleet Farm, Walmart, and most garden centers.

The Pathfinder Camping Code

1. I will camp only where camping is allowed.
2. I will keep my campsite clean at all times, and I will leave it cleaner than when I found it.
3. I will never leave my campfire unattended, and when I leave I will be sure that it is entirely out.
4. I will never use my knife or ax to cut bark or scar live trees.
5. I will never pick wildflowers without permission.
6. I will never cut trails while hiking.
7. I will never pollute a lake or stream.
8. I will always respect the privacy of other campers.
9. I will always be polite and courteous.
10. I will respect all signs, authority, rules, and private property.
11. I will always conduct myself as a Pathfinder and a Christian.
12. I will always leave a campsite knowing that I am welcome to return.