

PACK 31
OLD ZIONSVILLE, PA
TREXLER DISTRICT
MINSI TRAILS COUNCIL

**UNIFORM
GUIDELINES**



CUB & WEBELOS SCOUT UNIFORMING

What's the first thing a boy wants when he becomes a Cub Scout? The uniform, of course. The distinctive blue and gold uniform is undoubtedly one of the major incentives for young boys to become Cub Scouts. It is graphic evidence that they belong, that they are members of the world's largest boys' organization - "The Boy Scouts of America." The uniform also does these things for a boy:

- It reminds him to live up to the Cub Scout Promise, Law of the Pack, and motto - Do Your Best.
- It encourages neat, correct appearance as well as proper behavior.
- It provides the only place for proper display of his badges and awards.
- It reminds him of the steps along the Scouting trail and encourages him to continue into Boy Scouting.

Please note that individual uniform parts may not be worn with civilian clothing, and that various other types of Cub Scout garments are available, such as T-shirts, sweat shirts, red patch vests, etc. These are for casual wear and are not considered part of the official uniform.

UNIFORM COMPONENTS

The official Cub Scout uniform for Pack 31 consists of the following required parts:

SHIRT

Tigers, Wolves, and Bears wear the official Cub Scout long- or short-sleeve dark blue shirt with button-flap pockets. Machine washable poly/cotton. Has gold "Boy Scouts of America" lettering on right shirt front. Proper insignia should be sewn on.

The Webelos Scout may choose either the blue Webelos uniform based on the Cub Scout uniform, or the tan/olive uniform similar to the one worn by Boy Scouts. The location of badges and insignia is the same for both uniforms. With the blue uniform, everything is the same as described for the Cub Scout uniform. When the tan/olive uniform is chosen, the official Boy Scout tan long- or short-sleeve shirt with blue shoulder loops is worn.

NECKERCHIEFS

All scouts must wear the official triangular neckerchief. Tiger Cubs wear orange with navy blue trim and tiger cub emblem. Wolves wear gold with navy blue trim and cub scout emblem. Bears wear light blue with navy blue trim and cub scout emblem. Webelos wear blue, green, gold, and red plaid, with Webelos emblem.

NECKERCHIEF SLIDES

Official gold-colored metal slide with the Tiger Cub emblem for Tigers, the Cub Scout emblem for Wolves and Bears, and the Webelos emblem for Webelos. Handmade neckerchief slides may also be worn.

THE ABOVE THREE ITEMS ARE THE ONLY REQUIRED PART OF THE PACK 31 UNIFORM.

The items listed below are optional but encouraged:

OFFICIAL CUB SCOUT TROUSERS AND SHORTS

Official Cub Scout blue trousers or shorts may be worn with the uniform, but are not required. If the Webelos scout is wearing the olive/khaki shirt, then he may wear the olive trousers or shorts with the uniform.

HEADGEAR OPTIONS

Official baseball-style caps may be worn by the cub scouts for their correct rank.

OFFICIAL CUB SCOUT BELT

Official navy blue web belt with metal buckle and Cub Scout emblem. Webelos scouts may wear their blue cub scout belt with their olive/khaki uniform to show off their beltloops earned, or they may opt for the olive belt. Note that the beltloops DO NOT fit on the olive belt.

OFFICIAL CUB SCOUT SOCKS

Official navy blue Cub Scout socks with gold tops may be worn with shorts and with trousers. Olive socks may be worn by Webelos wearing the olive/khaki uniform.

PATCH VEST

The red patch vest is not part of the official uniform. It can be worn by Cub and Webelos Scouts for the display of temporary and other patches that have been given to the boy, or that the boy has earned as a part of the Scouting experience. The patch vest may be worn with the uniform except during uniform inspections.

UNIFORM RULES AND REGULATIONS

The official uniforms are intended primarily for use in connection with Scouting activities. They should be worn to all den and pack events, and may be worn to school, church, or any family function. The uniform may also be worn while participating in a pack money-earning project if approved by the local council. It may be worn when selling tickets to such events as Scouting shows that are approved by the council.

The uniform may not be worn by either Cub Scouts or adult leaders when:

- Involved in any distinctly political endeavor
- Appearing on the stage professionally without special approval from the National Executive Board
- Taking part in parades, except when rendering service as a Cub Scout or leader or when officially representing the Boy Scouts of America
- Participating in demonstrations not authorized by the Boy Scouts of America

All uniforms, badges, and insignia of the Boy Scouts of America may be used only by members of the Boy Scouts of America who are registered and in good standing. No alteration of or addition to the official uniform, badges, or insignia, or the rules and regulations covering the wearing of the uniform, may be authorized by anyone except the National Executive Board. Badges awarded by organizations other than the Boy Scouts of America may not be worn on the official uniform. (Exceptions: Historic Trails Award and religious emblems).

BADGES OF IDENTIFICATION AND TENURE


	<p>COUNCIL EMBLEM The Minsi Trails Council shoulder patch emblem is worn by all Cub Scouts directly below the shoulder seam on the left sleeve.</p>
	<p>U.S. FLAG EMBLEM A red, white, and blue embroidered American Flag emblem for all members. Worn by all Cub Scouts on the right sleeve. Centered directly below the shoulder seam, it is standard issue on all Scouting uniforms.</p>
	<p>UNIT NUMERALS A white numeral embroidered on red background. Worn by all boys and pack leaders directly below council patch on the left sleeve. When the veteran unit bar is worn, the Unit Numerals are worn just below, and touching it.</p>
	<p>VETERAN UNIT BAR - 25 YEARS A silver embroidered bar worn by boys and adult leaders in packs that have been chartered twenty-five years. Worn directly below council patch, above and touching the pack numeral on the left sleeve.</p>
	<p>VETERAN UNIT BAR - 50 YEARS A gold embroidered bar worn by boys and adult leaders of packs that have been chartered fifty years. Worn directly below the council patch, above and touching the pack numeral on the left sleeve.</p>
	<p>VETERAN UNIT BAR - 75 YEARS A maroon embroidered bar with silver numerals worn by boys and adult leaders of packs that have been chartered seventy-five years. Worn directly below the council patch, above and touching the pack numeral on the left sleeve.</p>
	<p>DEN NUMERALS A gold numeral embroidered on navy blue background. Worn by Cub Scouts and Webelos Scouts centered and touching the bottom of the U.S. flag on the on the right sleeve.</p>
	<p>WEBELOS DEN (PATROL) EMBLEM Webelos Dens may have a name and wear a Boy Scout patrol emblem instead of a den numeral, but they are still a Cub Scout Den. This emblem can be worn by Webelos Scouts centered and touching the bottom of the U.S. flag on the on the right sleeve.</p>
	<p>SERVICE STARS Gold metallic numbered star worn with colored background to indicate years of service in Scouting. Cub Scouts and Webelos Scouts wear star(s) with gold back ground, centered 3/8 inch above the on the left pocket. Boys who have been Tiger Cubs may wear the Tiger Cub service star with orange background on their Cub Scout uniform.</p>
	<p>WORLD CREST The World Crest emblem should be worn by all youth and adult leaders. The 1-1/2" diameter badge is white on a violet background. It contains a basic fleur motif encircled by a rope tied with a reef or square knot symbolizing the unity and brotherhood of the World Organization of Scouting Movement (WOSM) throughout the world. The emblem should be, worn centered horizontally above the left pocket, and placed vertically between the left shoulder seam and the top of the pocket.</p>

BADGES OF RANK

	<p>TIGER CUB BADGE A diamond-shaped cloth badge, orange and black embroidered on orange background with gold trim. Worn on the left pocket, in the 6 o'clock position, as shown in Insignia Guide.</p>
	<p>BOBCAT BADGE A diamond-shaped cloth badge, gold and black embroidered on light blue background with gold trim. Worn on the left pocket, in the 12 o'clock position, as shown in Insignia Guide.</p>
	<p>WOLF BADGE A diamond-shaped cloth badge, black and gray embroidered on red background with gold trim. Worn on the left pocket, in the 9 o'clock position, as shown in Insignia Guide.</p>
	<p>BEAR BADGE A diamond-shaped cloth badge, brown and black on green background with gold trim. Worn on the left pocket, in the 3 o'clock position, as shown in Insignia Guide.</p>
	<p>WEBELOS BADGE (diamond) A diamond-shaped cloth badge, gold and light blue embroidered on dark blue background with gold trim. Worn centered on the left pocket as shown in Insignia Guide. Webelos Scouts wear only the current badge of rank (Bobcat, Wolf, Bear, or Webelos badge.) Option: Webelos Scouts who have not earned the Tiger Cub rank may wear all rank badges earned with diamond-shaped Webelos badge.</p>
	<p>WEBELOS BADGE (oval) An oval-shaped cloth badge, gold and light blue embroidered on khaki background with khaki trim. Worn centered on the left pocket, with no other rank patches, as shown in Insignia Guide.</p>
	<p>ARROW OF LIGHT AWARD A gold design embroidered on a tan background with a blue border. Worn on the left pocket flap centered over the button. This is the highest award in Cub Scouting and the only Cub Scout badge that may be worn on the Boy Scout uniform.</p>

Note: Small metal pin replicas of each Cub rank badges are available for civilian wear and/or presentation to a parent.







BADGES OF OFFICE




	<p>DENNER SHOULDER CORD A gold double-strand shoulder cord worn on the left shoulder with cord suspended under arm. Worn only during term of office and removed when the term is completed. The tab may be worn without the cord to indicate previous service as a denner. Note: Webelos denners with the tan/olive uniform wear the cord, without the tab, under the left epaulet.</p>
	<p>ASSISTANT DENNER SHOULDER CORD A gold single-strand shoulder cord worn on the left shoulder with cord suspended under arm. It is also removed when the term of office is completed. Note: Webelos assistant denners with the tan/olive uniform wear the cord, without the tab, under the left epaulet.</p>
	<p>DEN CHIEF BADGE Worn by the Boy Scout Den Chief on the left sleeve directly below, but touching, the Unit Numeral(s.)</p>
	<p>DEN CHIEF BRAID Worn by Bobcat, Wolf, and Bear Den Chief's, this blue and gold single-strand shoulder cord is worn suspended from the left shoulder. It is removed when the term of office is completed.</p>
	<p>WEBELOS DEN CHIEF BRAID Worn by Webelos Den Chief's, this blue, gold and red single-strand shoulder cord is worn suspended from the left shoulder. It is removed when the term of office is completed.</p>
	<p>DEN CHIEF AWARD BRAID Granted to Boy Scout Den Chief's that have met the high standards of Den Chief service. This red, white, and blue single-strand shoulder cord is worn suspended from the left shoulder, and may be worn indefinitely.</p>

ACADEMICS AND SPORTS PROGRAM







<p>SPORTS BELT LOOPS (SET 1)</p> <p>SPORTS BELT LOOPS (SET 2)</p> <p>SPORTS BELT LOOPS (SET 3)</p>	<p>ACADEMICS AND SPORTS BELT LOOPS</p> <p>Belt Loops are worn on the navy blue Tiger or Cub Scout belt only. Webelos Scouts who have chosen to wear the khaki uniform may still wear the blue Cub Scout belt so as to display the belt loops they have earned. Belt loops are awarded 'once' to boys who learn and participate in an Academics or Sports area. Sports belt loops are silver in color (except the "BB Shooting" and "Archery" loops which are copper colored,) while Academics belt loops are gold. (Note: Webelos Scouts may earn belt loops the second time to qualify for Webelos activity badges.)</p>
<p>SPORTS PINS</p> <p>SCALE - 150%</p>	<p>ACADEMICS AND SPORTS PINS</p> <p>Pins may be worn on the Cub Scout Academics and Sports letter which can be sewn to a patch vest or sweater. Pins are not a part of the Cub Scout uniform. They are for civilian wear only.</p>
<p>Academics & Sports Program Letter</p>	<p>PROGRAM LETTER FOR ACADEMICS AND SPORTS</p> <p>The Academics and Sports letter, "C" (No. 00805), is available to boys for displaying Academics and Sports pins that Tiger Cubs, Cub Scouts, and Webelos Scouts earn. The letter, representing "Cub Scouts," can be worn on a sweater or jacket, or displayed or framed. It does not go on the uniform. There are no specific requirements for earning the letter, as it is designed merely to display pins.</p>

BADGES OF RECOGNITION

	<p>TIGER CUB BELT TOTEM</p> <p>A plastic recognition device that is awarded to the Tiger Cub after satisfying certain requirements. Worn on his belt, the front side of the totem is emblazoned with a tiger paw print. The lower end of the totem includes space for four strands for totem beads. A boy earns totem beads by working on the five Tiger Cub achievements.</p>
	<p>IMMEDIATE RECOGNITION PATCH (and Beads)</p> <p>Blue, white, and yellow Cub Scout diamond with the words, "Progress Toward Ranks." Worn on the button of the right shirt pocket. A yellow bead is presented for each three Wolf achievements earned until all four beads are earned and the boy is eligible to receive the Wolf badge. Red beads are presented for each three Bear achievements earned. Cub Scouts may continue to wear this emblem after ranks are earned until they become Webelos Scouts.</p>
	<p>GOLD ARROW POINTS</p> <p>Gold embroidered arrow-shaped cloth badges earned during the Wolf and Bear elective program. A Gold Arrow Point is earned by completing the first ten projects in the Wolf or Bear book. Only one gold arrow point may be earned during the Wolf year, and one during the Bear year. Worn 3/4" below and centered under the current rank badge (Wolf and Bear).</p>
	<p>SILVER ARROW POINTS</p> <p>Silver embroidered arrow-shaped cloth badges earned during the Wolf and Bear elective program. Each Silver Arrow Point is earned by completing ten additional projects from the Wolf or Bear book (after earning the Gold Arrow Point). A Wolf or Bear Cub Scout may wear as many Silver Arrow Points as he can earn. Worn in rows of two below, centered, and touching the Gold Arrow Point or previously earned Silver Arrow Points for each rank (Wolf and Bear).</p>
	<p>WEBELOS ACTIVITY BADGES</p> <p>Any of 20 metal pins awarded to Webelos Scouts for completion of a prescribed set of criteria. Broken into the five 'Groups' of: Physical Skills, Mental Skills, Community, Technology, and Outdoor. Earned only by Webelos Scouts, and worn on the light blue front panel of the Webelos cap or on the optional Webelos colors.</p>
	<p>COMPASS POINTS EMBLEM</p> <p>Blue, red, and gold embroidered emblem attached to the button of the right shirt pocket. Presented to a Webelos Scout who earns four activity badges in addition to those earned for the Webelos badge (total of seven). Compass point pins (referred to as devices) may be earned for each four additional activity badges earned, and are worn, in any order, affixed in the "E", "S", and "W" positions of the compass points emblem.</p>

 <p>CUB SCOUT RELIGIOUS EMBLEMS</p>	<p>RELIGIOUS EMBLEMS</p> <p>Religious emblems earned by Cub Scouts or Webelos Scouts are worn centered above the left uniform shirt pocket. Medals are worn only on formal occasions such as official uniform inspections, blue and gold banquets, troop courts of honor, etc. The religious emblem square knot, silver knot on purple background, is worn over the left pocket of the Cub Scout uniform shirt by a Cub Scout who has earned his religious emblem.</p>
	<p>MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY MEDALS</p> <p>Medals earned by Cub Scouts and Webelos Scouts in derbies or other contests are worn centered above the left shirt pocket. These should be worn only on special occasions such as those mentioned above. Only five medals may be worn at a time, pinned in a single row immediately above the seam of the left pocket.</p>
	<p>WEBELOS COLORS</p> <p>Green, red, and gold streamers on a blue metal bar. A Pack option for wear by Webelos Scouts. Worn on the right sleeve immediately below and touching the U.S. flag. (It covers the den [patrol] emblem and Quality Unit insignia.) If den number is worn, Webelos colors are worn under and touching the Den number. If colors are worn, activity badges are worn on the streamers.</p>

BADGES OF PARTICIPATION

	<p>ATTENDANCE PIN AND BAR A gold-colored pin that may be worn to recognize good attendance at den and pack meetings. Year bars are available to attach to the first year bar and pin. Worn centered above the left pocket by Cub Scouts and Webelos Scouts.</p>
	<p>TEMPORARY INSIGNIA Any insignia authorized by the local council for a particular purpose, such as Scouting events, Cub Scout day camp, roundup programs, etc. worn by Cub Scouts and Webelos Scouts centered on the right pocket of the uniform shirt. Only one temporary patch in addition to the immediate recognition or compass point emblem may be worn at a time. Additional temporary patches may be placed on a red vest that may be worn except during inspections.</p>
	<p>CUB SCOUT WORLD CONSERVATION AWARD Giant panda on violet Scout trefoil, violet trim, gold background (No. 00139). Two-inch embroidered emblem, worn as temporary patch, centered on right pocket.</p>
	<p>NATIONAL PACK SUMMERTIME AWARD PIN A gold sunburst pin given to Cub Scouts and Webelos Scouts in packs earning the National Summertime Pack Award. Boys must participate in all three summer pack activities to be eligible for the award. Can be earned more than once, but only one can be worn at a time. Worn centered on the right pocket flap of the uniform shirt.</p>
	<p>TIGER CUB STRIP Cloth strip worn by boys to indicate prior membership in Tiger Cubs BSA. Worn centered, below, and touching the right pocket and above the recruiter strip.</p>
	<p>RECRUITER STRIP Cloth strip presented to boys for recruiting another boy into the program. Worn by Cub Scouts and Webelos Scouts centered, below, and touching either the right pocket, or centered, below, and touching the Tiger Cub strip if applicable.</p>
	<p>QUALITY UNIT AWARD Embroidered cloth strip worn by boys and leaders in packs who meet the criteria. (See Quality Unit Award Application.) Worn centered on the right sleeve, 4 inches below the shoulder seam. Only the most recent award may be worn.</p>



EMBROIDERED SQUARE KNOTS AND PIN DEVICES

Embroidered 'Square Knots' are representative of pin-on medals or ribbon suspended medals and are designed for the convenience of the Cub (and the parent!). Square Knots are always oriented with the loop of the embroidered knot that comes in *front* of the standing part (known as the 'loop' or 'bight') to the wearer's right. Another clue to correct orientation is that knots are worn with the distinguishing color (not white) towards the wearer's right. If you are still unsure about correct orientation, check out the knot image links below. Square knots are worn centered above the left uniform pocket, in rows of three. There is no particular order in which they should be worn, but it is suggested that the knot deemed most important by the wearer be worn on his own right. For the authoritative Web-treatise on Square Knots, visit Mike Walton's highly recommended Square Knots page. The following embroidered square knots are available for wear by Cub Scouts who have earned special recognitions:

	<p>RELIGIOUS EMBLEMS EARNED AS YOUTH KNOT Cub Scouts that satisfy all of the requirements of their respective churches award program may wear the silver knot on purple background. Worn on the field uniform to represent attainment of the 'dress' medal.</p>
	<p>DEVICES FOR THE YOUTH RELIGIOUS SQUARE KNOT This miniature device is worn with the youth religious emblem square knot emblem(s) earned as a youth. Wear Cub Scout device with the first-level emblem (God and Me, Maccabee, etc.) earned as a Tiger or Cub Scout; Webelos Scout device for second-level (God and Family, Parvuli Dei, Faith in God, Light of the World, Aleph, etc.) earned as a Webelos Scout. Only one knot is worn, but any combination of devices may be worn on the same knot.</p>
	<p>MEDAL OF MERIT KNOT Awarded to youth members who have performed some outstanding act of service of a rare or exceptional character that reflects an uncommon degree of concern for the well-being of others. Worn on the field uniform to represent the 'dress' medal.</p>
	<p>HEROISM AWARD KNOT Awarded to youth members demonstrating heroism in saving or attempting to save a life at minimum risk to self. Worn on the field uniform to represent the 'dress' medal.</p>
	<p>HONOR MEDAL KNOT Awarded to youth members who demonstrate unusual heroism and skill in saving or attempting to save a life at considerable risk to his own. In cases of exceptional skill or resourcefulness and extreme risk of life, the medal is awarded with crossed palms. Worn on the field uniform to represent the 'dress' medal.</p>

BSA MEDALS FOR VALOR AND MERITORIOUS ACTION

Originated in 1911, the BSA Medals of Valor are Scouting's premiere recognitions for a member's Lifesaving and Meritorious Action. They are presented by the BSA National Court of Honor (NCOH) based on the type of action, and the degree of danger involved. The council advancement committee or subcommittee may be constituted as a committee on lifesaving and meritorious action awards.

<p>AWARDS FOR LIFESAVING</p> <p>Recognition may be given to a member of the Boy Scouts of America-Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity Scout, Explorer, or leader-where the evidence presented to the National Court of Honor, in accordance with prescribed regulations, shows that he or she saved or attempted to save life under circumstances that indicate heroism and risk to self. The court will give consideration to resourcefulness and to demonstrated skill in rescue methods. In no case shall recognition be given where it appears that the risk involved was merely in the performance of duty, or the meeting of an obligation because of responsibility to supervise and give leadership to the persons whose lives were saved. It shall be wholly within the discretion of the National Court of Honor to determine from evidence presented which, if any, lifesaving award shall be made. Awards are issued in the name of the Boy Scouts of America. The awards are as follows:</p>	
 <p style="font-size: small;">HONOR MEDAL HONOR MEDAL W/ CROSSED PALMS</p>	<p>HONOR MEDAL</p> <p>Awarded to a youth member or adult leader who demonstrates unusual heroism and skill in saving or attempting to save a life at considerable risk to his own. In cases of exceptional skill or resourcefulness and extreme risk of life, the medal is awarded with crossed palms.</p>
 <p style="font-size: small;">HEROISM AWARD</p>	<p>HEROISM AWARD</p> <p>Awarded to a youth member or adult leader demonstrating heroism in saving or attempting to save a life at minimum risk to self.</p>
<p>AWARDS FOR MERITORIOUS ACTION</p> <p>Recognition may be given to a youth member or adult leader of the Boy Scouts of America where the evidence presented to the National Court of Honor, in accordance with prescribed regulations, shows that a significant or outstanding act of service was performed. The action taken need not involve attempts of rescue or risk to self but must put into practice Scouting skills and/or ideals. Recognition shall not be given where it appears that the action involved was merely in the performance of duty or the meeting of an obligation. The awards are:</p>	



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Awarded to a youth member or adult leader who has performed some outstanding act of service of a rare or exceptional character that reflects an uncommon degree of concern for the well-being of others.

NATIONAL CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

The National Certificate of Merit may be awarded to a youth member or adult leader who has performed a significant act of service that is deserving of special national recognition.

UNIFORM INSPECTIONS

Den Uniform Inspection

Den uniform inspections should be held several times each year. The den chief can be of assistance in helping to check the boys' uniforms against the official inspection sheet or illustrations on the inside covers of the boys' books for insignia placement. Two or three weeks prior to the pack's uniform inspection, boys are given copies of the Cub Scout and Webelos Scout Uniform Inspection Sheet to take home. With help from their families, they check to be sure their uniforms are correct, with insignia properly placed. Then about a week before the pack inspection, a den uniform inspection is held to make certain everything is in order. The boys bring their inspection sheets to the pack meeting so they can be marked by the person in charge of the pack inspection.

Pack Uniform Inspection

The unit commissioner usually conducts the pack inspection with the help of other leaders. Den leaders and den chiefs may assist in inspecting the uniform of their own dens. In a pack uniform inspection both boys' and adults' uniforms are checked. The following procedure is followed for the pack's uniform inspection:

1. Set a date for the inspection and select an individual to be in charge. (This is usually the unit commissioner.)
2. Two or three weeks before the inspection, furnish each boy and adult leader with a copy of the proper uniform inspection sheet. Ask them to check their uniforms at home and bring the sheets to the pack inspection.
3. The inspector obtains additional help-usually one person for every eight members to be inspected. The inspection team goes over the rules ahead of time and agrees on points, etc.
4. On inspection night, the Cubmaster assembles the pack in den groups and introduces the inspection team.
5. The inspection team moves through the group, checking each item on the inspection sheet. Those members who pass the inspection are recognized by the inspection team.