Troop Aquatics

Safety Afloat

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Troop Aquatics

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SSSS  PPPP  BED
3 Sheets  3 Pillows  Bed
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- Supervision
- Skills Proficiency
- Swimming Ability
- Physical Fitness
- PFD
- Planning
- Buddy System
- Equipment
- Discipline
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**Supervision**

- Mature 21+ year old
- Skillful with watercraft
- Accepts Responsibility
- Rescue Methods
- 18+ year old
- Committed to the 9 Points of Safety Afloat
- 1 to 10 and 1 to 5
- CPR
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**Skills Proficiency**

- Minimum skill for MB
- Emergency Procedures
- Craft to be used
- 3hrs. Training & Practice
- PFD instruction
- Whitewater Instruction
- Powerboat Rules
- Cub Scout Rules
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Swimming Ability

- Pass BSA Swim Test
  - 100 yards
    - 75 any forward stroke
    - 25 resting stroke
    - Float

- Exceptions

- Cub Scout Swim Test
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Physical Fitness

- Medical Re-check
- Health Forms
  - Class I
  - Class II
  - Class III
- Supervision Adjustments
- Significant Health Concerns & Exam by Physician
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**Personal Flotation Device**

- PFD
  - Type I, II, III, IV, V
- Styles
  - Ski, Canoe, Fishing
- Who Wears them?
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Planning

- Float Plan
  - “Put in” & “Take Out”
  - Course, Stopovers, Time
  - Accurate Maps
  - Run the course prior

- Local Rules
  - Local, Regional, National
  - Fishing, Border Crossing...
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Planning

- Notification
  - Parents
  - Unit Committee
  - Council (running water)
  - Coast Guard, State Police, Park Personnel

- Weather
  - Check before you go
  - Have a plan “Just in case”
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**Planning**

- Contingencies
  - Plan for Emergencies
  - Plan for other possible problems
  - Have a Contingency Plan!

- Cub Scout
  - NO “Trips/Expeditions”
  - NO Running Water
  - Clear Skies, No Wind, Warm Air and Water
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**Buddy System**

- At least one person looking out for the Scout.
- **Buddy Boats**
  - Need to See and Hear
  - Close Proximity
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**Equipment**
- Suited to the Craft/Water
- Correct Size
- Good Repair
- Meet Coast Guard Regulations
- Spare Equipment
- Repair Equipment/Parts
- Rescue Equipment
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**Discipline**
- Know, Understand and Respect the Rules
- Help the Boys to Understand the Rules
- Enforce Rules Fairly
- Use Common Sense
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Thanks for watching.
The End

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