

TURKISH SCOUTING FEDERATION

DRAFT REGULATION ON CAMPS

Purpose, Scope, Legal Basis, Definitions, and Abbreviations

Purpose

Article 1- The purpose of this Regulation is to define the principles and procedures concerning the planning, programming, management, supervision, evaluation, and development of scouting camps and outdoor activities to be held at various levels and stages, and to determine the authorities, duties, and responsibilities.

Scope

Article 2- This Regulation covers the principles and procedures regarding the administration, training, and financial affairs of scouting camps and all types of outdoor activities, as well as the duties, authorities, and responsibilities of those assigned to take part.

Legal Basis

Article 3- This Regulation has been prepared based on Article 9 of the Annex of Law No. 3289 on the Organization and Duties of the General Directorate of Sports dated 21/5/1986, the Regulation on the Working Procedures and Principles of Independent Sports Federations published in the Official Gazette dated 19/7/2012 and numbered 28358, and the Main Statute of the Turkish Scouting Federation published in the Official Gazette dated 01/10/2014 and numbered 29136.

Definitions and Abbreviations

Article 4 – In this Regulation:

General Directorate: Refers to the Directorate General of Sports.

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Federation: Refers to the Turkish Scouting Federation.

Provincial Directorate: Refers to the Provincial Directorate of Youth Services and Sports.

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Sports Club: Refers to sports clubs registered by the Directorate General of Sports.

Technical Board: Refers to the Technical Board of the Turkish Scouting Federation.

Leader: Individuals aged 18 and above who are licensed by the club and have completed at least the basic leadership course.

Club Leader: The registered and licensed leader responsible for the overall operation of the club's scouting division, who has completed the required courses and seminars equivalent to coaching qualifications, obtained the necessary certifications, and holds either the Two Wood Badge insignia or completed the leadership course.

Patrol: The smallest scout group formed separately by 6–8 girl or boy scouts.

Cub Scout Six / Den: The smallest cub scout group formed separately by 6–8 girl or boy cub scouts.

Rover Team: A small unit of 4–6 rover scouts.

Cub Scout Pack: A registered cub scout unit consisting of at least two Cub Scout Sixes/Dens.

Scout Troop: A registered scout unit consisting of at least two girl and two boy

patrols in co-educational groups (total of four patrols), or at least two girl or two boy patrols in non-co-educational groups.

Rover Scout Crew: A registered rover scout unit consisting of at least two girl and two boy Rover Teams in co-educational groups, or at least two girl or two boy Rover Teams in non-co-educational groups.

Expert: A specialist assigned to support a scouting activity.

National Awareness Camp: Camps organized by the Federation and open to the participation of all clubs and units that meet the conditions set by the Federation.

Definition, Purpose, and Basic Principles of Camps

Definition of Scout Camps

Article 5- a) Scout Camp refers to practical applications carried out in line with scouting methods and principles.

b) It lasts for a minimum of one night, two days and a maximum of 10 days.

Purpose of Scout Camps

Article 6- The purposes of Scout Camps are:

- a)** To develop the habit of living together through planned and programmed activities.
- b)** To develop a sense of self-confidence.
- c)** To improve their knowledge and skills.
- ç)** To prepare for leadership.
- d)** To sustain democracy.
- e)** To foster the habit of outdoor living.
- f)** To enable the formation of friendship and fellowship bonds. **g)** To cultivate the habit of loving and protecting nature.
- g)** To contribute to intellectual, physical, and spiritual development.
- h)** To enhance the sense of responsibility.
- i)** To develop their attention/focus.
- j)** To instill the skill of risk-taking.
- j)** To develop the abilities of making immediate and accurate decisions.

Basic Principles

Article 7- The fundamental principles to be applied in all levels and stages of scout camps, within the framework of the basic principles and method of scouting, are listed below:

- a)** Skills and behaviors needed in daily life are provided to children and young people.
- b)** All activities are conducted according to a plan and program.
- c)** The development of a sense of responsibility in children and young people is aimed for.
- ç)** Service to the community and the natural environment is the basis of the camps.
- d)** Scouts and Leaders participate in every camp wearing a uniform.
- e)** Camps provide a platform for scouts to carry out the practical application of their theoretical studies between two camps, learn by doing and experiencing, fulfill the requirements of the advancement scheme, and apply all scouting methods.

Scout Camps, Management, and Assignment

Scout Camps

Article 8- Camps are opened under the following names, in line with the purposes specified in Article 6:

a) Unit Camps: These are camps carried out by the scouts with their unit in line with a specific program. Patrol and Team camps are also included within Unit Camps.

They last for a minimum of one night and two days, and a maximum of ten days. Unit Camps are realized with the approval of the club (if affiliated), the Provincial Scouting Representative, and the Federation.

b) Club Camps: These are camps carried out by the scouts in line with a specific program. These camps are realized with the approval of the units, clubs (to which the Patrols, Teams, or Units are affiliated), the Provincial Scouting Representative, and the Federation. All licensed scouts registered to the club's units, Leaders, and scouting volunteers of the Turkish Scouting Federation can participate in Club Camps. Clubs may organize activities to promote and popularize scouting to children, young people, and parents, and to recruit new scouts. If these activities take the form of a camp or an out-of-province trip, participants are required to be licensed. More than one club in the same province may organize a joint camp. Such camps are also realized with the approval of the clubs, the Provincial Scouting Representative, and the Federation.

c) Local Camps: These are camps organized by the Provincial Scouting Representative with the approval of the Federation, to bring together scouts from different units and clubs operating in the same province, to develop their bonds of friendship and brotherhood, and to increase their knowledge and experience, after the scouts have gained their first camp experience through Unit and Club Camps.

Licensed individuals participating in a Local Camp are required to have previously attended a similar type (Weekend Camp, Long-term Camp) of Unit or Club activity.

ç) Regional Camps: These are camps organized by the Regional Directorate to bring together scouts from nearby provinces and provide them with training by more experienced Leaders and more advanced programs. The organization and management are carried out under the supervision of the Regional Directorate, in consultation with the Provincial Representatives and the Club Leaders in their respective provinces. Prior participation in a Local Camp is required, but it is not a prerequisite for participation in a National Camp. They are organized with the approval of the Federation.

d) National Camps: These are camps organized by the Turkish Scouting Federation and open to the participation of scouts who comply with the conditions determined by the Federation. All participating scouts, Leaders, and scouting volunteers must have previously attended at least one long-term Unit or Club camp, and at least one long-term Local Camp. Once a scout has attended one long-term Local Camp in their current scouting section, they can participate in subsequent National Camps, provided they renew their license and continue scouting without interruption. These activities are among the Federation's activities mentioned in the Federation's Main Statute. Short-term camps organized by the Federation (National Awareness, Disaster Service, etc.) are National and Federation activities, but they do not fulfill the prerequisite (National Camp participation) required for International Camp participation.

Furthermore, in line with the projects carried out by the Federation, various camps may be organized to promote and develop scouting, and to meet the educational needs of the scouts according to the current circumstances. The Federation may open some of these camps, after prior announcement, to the participation of reserve scouts (to prevent them from dropping out of scouting) or to scouts who have not yet participated in a camp in their club or province. Central camps may also be organized to enable Units to organize their Unit Camps, Clubs to organize their Club Camps,

and provinces to organize their Local Camps. The conditions for participation in Federation camps are announced beforehand. Invitations to these types of camps may be extended without requiring the prerequisites for National Camp participation. However, those who do not meet the National Camp participation requirements are not considered to have completed a National Camp. Only the Federation organizes "Candidate Scout" camps aimed at promoting and popularizing scouting to unlicensed or licensed scouts who are not members of any unit. Units, Clubs, Provinces, and Regions are strictly forbidden from taking any unlicensed scout or scout not affiliated with a unit to a camp.

e) International Camps: These are camps organized by the World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM), its member organizations in other countries, and the Turkish Scouting Federation (TSF) as the representative of WOSM in Turkey. Participants must be licensed, affiliated with a unit, and have previously attended at least one long-term Unit, Club, Local, and National Camp. These activities are among the Federation's camps mentioned in the Federation's Main Statute.

f) Camps with Participation from Abroad: Clubs may invite scouts from other WOSM member countries to their camps as guest scouts, provided they comply with the guest scout invitation requirements. For scouts and Leaders from abroad to attend these camps, clubs must apply in writing to the TSF International Commissioner. The International Commissioner investigates whether the arriving scouts are WOSM members, contacts the International Commissioner of the arriving scouts' country, and the result is reported to the club in writing. The camp approval is granted by the Federation. All Turkish scouts participating in these camps must meet the requirements for International Camp participation. These types of camps are not counted as Local, National, or Federation camps as specified in the Federation's Main Statute.

g) Camps Abroad: These are camps that Units or Clubs attend abroad upon invitation from other countries' scout organizations, or camps that they organize themselves in other countries using their own resources. There must be a person proficient in a foreign language in these camps. For these types of camps, an application must be made in writing to the TSF International Commissioner from the planning stage onwards. The International Commissioner investigates whether the scouts to be visited are WOSM members, contacts the International Commissioner of the destination country, and the result is reported to the club in writing. The camp approval is granted by the Federation. All Turkish scouts participating in these camps must meet the requirements for International Camp participation. These types of camps are not counted as Local, National, or Federation activities as specified in the Federation's Main Statute. Clubs traveling abroad for these camps may apply to the Federation in writing to request permission to wear the National Scarf. If approved, they may wear the National Scarf abroad. Even if permission to wear the National Scarf is granted for such camps, they are not counted as Local, National, or Federation camps as specified in the Federation's Main Statute.

Participation in Camps

Article 9- Scouts, Scout Leaders, scouting volunteers, individuals licensed by the Federation who meet the participation requirements, as well as assigned Specialists and personnel, may attend the camps described above.

Execution of Camps

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- 1)** Scout camps in Turkey are conducted by the Turkish Scouting Federation, Regional Directorates, Provincial Scouting Representatives, Scout Clubs, or units.
- 2)** For a camp to be held:

 - a)** In Unit, Club, and Local Camps, the Unit Leader must be in charge.
 - b)** There must be at least three adults in a camp.
 - c)** Attending a specialized course is not sufficient for taking scouts to a camp.
 - ç)** For a Summer Camp to be held, there must be at least one Leader who has completed a First Aid and Summer Camping course, in proportion to the number of participants.
 - d)** For a Winter Camp to be held, there must be at least one Leader who has completed a First Aid and Winter Camping course, in proportion to the number of participants.
- 3)** Camps may be organized for Packs, Troops, Units, and separately for girls and boys, or as co-educational (karma) camps. In co-educational camps, accommodation is organized in separate sub-camps based on sections and gender.
- 4)** For Units and Clubs to conduct a camp, the said camp must be registered in the automation system by the Unit Leader or Club Leader at least fifteen days in advance.
- 5)** For Provincial Representatives to conduct a camp, the said camp must be included in the province's annual activity program and registered in the automation system by the Provincial Representative at least fifteen days in advance. Clubs are required to obtain approval from the Federation when traveling outside the province, or when overnight accommodation is involved, even within the province.
- 6)** The time limit for approval is not required for activities such as Disaster Service Camps, Search and Rescue activities, or National Awareness Activities organized in the province.
- 7)** Day-long Unit, Club, and Provincial outdoor activities to be held within the provincial borders do not require approval from the Federation. However, it is mandatory to inform the Provincial Representative before the activity and submit a report after the activity is completed.
- 8)** If there is only one club in the province, the Local Camp is held at a time separate from the club activity. (A second long-term club camp is considered a substitute for the local activity).
- 9)** If the Provincial Representative Office is to charge a contribution fee for the camps they organize, the Local Camp is assigned to the organization of a club. Contribution fees are collected with a document or deposited into that club's account and spent according to the associations legislation.
- 10)** If Clubs are to collect any fee from the participants of the camps they organize, it must be received through the club's official bank account or with a receipt and spent according to the associations legislation. Collecting money into a personal account is strictly forbidden.
- 11)** In Federation camps, courses, and other activities, administrators are strictly forbidden from collecting money for any purpose whatsoever. Participants cannot be forced into additional expenditures.
- 12)** Camps such as those for completing the required items in the achievement log, ceremonies for the promotion of scouting in the province, National Awareness activities, parades, and disaster service camps are activities that require the participation of all scouts in the province. All units and clubs are obliged to participate in these activities.

Locations and Durations of Camps

Article 11- **a)** Scout camps are Summer and Winter camps where the training included in the scout's program can be carried out.

b) Summer Camps are set up with tents, in nature, in an area distant from settlements.

c) Winter Camps are held in areas, facilities, or near these facilities, distant from settlements, where snow and winter conditions prevail, and in tent areas where the items in the achievement log can be completed. Camps held in areas where snow and winter conditions do not prevail are not considered Winter Camps, even if they take place in winter.

ç) The location, date, duration, administrator, and capacity of National Camps are determined by the Federation.

d) The locations and durations of Regional Camps are determined by the proposal of the Regional Director and the approval of the Federation.

e) The locations and durations of Local Camps are determined by the Provincial Scouting Representative. They are approved by the Federation.

f) The locations and durations of Club Camps are determined by the club. They are approved by the Provincial Representative and the Federation.

g) The locations and durations of Unit Camps are determined by the Unit Leader. If affiliated with a club, they are approved by the club, the Provincial Representative, and the Federation.

g) Weekend/Short-term Camp: Covers a minimum of two days and one night, and a maximum of 5 nights.

i) Long-term Camp: Covers a minimum of 6 consecutive nights.

Execution of Camp Services

Article 12- The services in the camps are carried out by the following individuals who may be assigned by the units opening the camp, considering the camp's specific characteristics, numbers, location, and other needs:

a) Camp Director.

b) Deputy Camp Director for Training Affairs.

c) Deputy Camp Director for Administrative Affairs.

ç) Deputy Camp Director for Financial Affairs.

d) Sub-Camp Directors.

e) Unit Leaders.

f) Support Team (Leaders, Rover/Venture Scouts, Scouts, and Scouting Volunteers assigned to carry out the camp's support services, as well as professional personnel such as a doctor or health officer, cook, cook's assistant, dishwasher, warehouse keeper, security guard, driver, plumber, electrician, etc.).

g) Specialists as needed.

Duties, Authorities, and Responsibilities in the Execution of Scout Camps

Camp Director:

Article 13- (1) The responsibilities of the assigned Camp Director are:

a) Primarily responsible for the planning, programming, establishment, execution, management, and evaluation of the camp in accordance with its objectives.

b) Establishes contact with local civil and administrative authorities and security units in the region before and during the camp, and ensures the necessary correspondence is conducted.

c) As the commanding officer of the camp, inspects and evaluates whether other camp officials perform their activities in compliance with the regulations.

- ç) Determines which of the tasks specified in the regulation regarding training and management activities will be performed by whom, informs the relevant parties, and ensures their execution.
- đ) Inspects the maintenance, repair, and deficiencies of the camp area or facility before the camp, ensures their completion, and makes it ready for the activity. After the camp, leaves the camp area/facility clean. Ensures the necessary maintenance and repairs are carried out.
- đ) Ensures the management of the camp's inventory and fixed assets is carried out within the framework of the legislation.
- đ) Ensures the procurement of materials needed for the operation of the camp.
- đ) Responsible for ensuring the camp's safety and security in every aspect (Fire, water safety, health, etc.).
- đ) Ensures the preparation of instructions regarding the execution of camp services, their notification to the relevant parties, and their implementation.
- đ) Submits the evaluation report on training and cultural activities, along with their thoughts and suggestions about the Leaders, administrators, and auxiliary personnel on duty in the camp, and their views and recommendations about the camp and its surroundings, together with photographs, to the Federation in written and digital form within 20 days following the end of the camp.

(2) In the event of an extraordinary situation preventing the Camp Director from arriving or requiring them to leave the camp, the Deputy Director listed highest among the Deputy Directors in the assignment order shall perform the duties of the Camp Director.

Deputy Camp Director for Training Affairs

Article 14- The assigned Deputy Camp Director for Training Affairs:

- (1) Ensures the camp area is organized for training and used in line with the objectives.
- (2) Is secondarily responsible for the operation of the camp.
- (3) Holds a meeting with the Leaders on duty at the camp to conduct the final evaluations of the pre-prepared training plans, and ensures additions or reductions are made.
- (4) Allocates tasks among the Leaders regarding camp activities, controls them, and ensures the execution of the work.
- (5) Prepares, implements, and, in collaboration with the camp management, ensures the correction of any shortcomings in the camp training program and alternative programs (Camp Program) together with the Leaders.
- (6) Ensures the organization and execution of all training-oriented tasks such as setting up and running stations, evaluating the results of the work, organizing meetings, campfires, trips, ceremonies or demonstrations, procuring the necessary materials, and preparing the documents to be issued.
- (7) Holds meetings with the Camp Leaders to evaluate the daily activities and collaboratively prepares the work program for the next day.
- (8) Is in continuous contact with the Camp Director.

Deputy Camp Director for Administrative Affairs

Article 15- The assigned Deputy Camp Director for Administrative Affairs:

- đ) Determines all the materials required for the camp and notifies the Deputy Camp Director for Financial Affairs about the procurement of necessary but missing materials.

- b)** Ensures the execution and control of health services at the camp.
- c)** Ensures the welcoming, hosting, and sending off of protocol and guests visiting the camp.
- ç)** Prepares and controls the implementation of duty and security instructions.
- d)** Maintains camp-related files and conducts correspondence.
- e)** Ensures the execution and control of the general cleaning of the camp.
- f)** Is in continuous contact with the Camp Director.

Deputy Camp Director for Financial Affairs

Article 16- The assigned Deputy Camp Director for Financial Affairs:

- a)** Prepares the camp food menu together with the health officer, cook, and responsible Leader according to the camp's capacity.
- b)** Ensures that all types of provisions, goods, and materials purchased for the camp are used for their intended purpose, and that the documents related to their entry into and exit from the warehouse are prepared in a timely manner according to the procedure.
- c)** Carries out all types of expenditures for the camp in compliance with the current legislation.
- ç)** Conducts correspondence related to financial affairs, keeps the necessary ledgers, and prepares the balance sheet for the expenditures made at the camp.
- d)** Responsible for the timely preparation of meals, their clean and careful cooking and distribution, and the inclusion of the meal lists in the camp report.

Health Officer

Article 17- The Health Officer determined according to the number of participants:

- a)** Prepares a tent or a section of the facility as a dispensary according to the camp's possibilities.
- b)** Conducts the initial examination of the patients at the camp according to the severity of their illness, continues the treatment, and refers them to a hospital if necessary.
- c)** Monitors and stores the medications obtained for the patients. Ensures these medications are used properly.
- ç)** Checks the cleanliness of the camp buildings or tents, open-air classrooms, swimming areas, roads, sewage systems, septic tanks, garbage pits, drinking and utility water sources and tanks, and areas where food is stored and cooked. Reports any hazardous situations observed in these areas to the Camp Director and follows up on whether they have been rectified.
- d)** Takes precautions against all types of communicable diseases.
- e)** Participates in Leader meetings.
- f)** Prepares a list of necessary medications for the camp and ensures they are procured before the camp starts.
- g)** Assists in preparing the camp menu.
- ğ)** Provides training to the scouts on health information and first aid topics.
- i)** Keeps a patient registry.
- j)** Collects and stores the medications used by the arriving scouts and ensures they are used when necessary.

Leaders

Article 18- The assigned Leaders:

- a)** Are responsible for the scouts. Adhere to the camp plan and program and ensure compliance.
- b)** Closely attend to scouts with problems, take measures to help them adapt better to camp life, and provide guidance.
- c)** Closely monitor the scouts' clothing, cleanliness of their living area, personal hygiene, nutrition, shelter, work, and entertainment aspects.
- ç)** Are concerned with the scouts' health status and report sick individuals to the camp health officer in a timely manner.
- d)** Carry out the duties assigned to them as required by the duty roster and division of labor.

Guard Duty Services

Article 19- (1) The Leader assigned to the daytime duty services at the camps:

- a)** Is responsible for the security and safety of the camp.
- b)** Closely attends to the general cleanliness and discipline of the camp, and organizes the work of the duty scouts and officials. Supervises the duty scouts at work and ensures they comply with the duty rules.
- c)** Ensures compliance with the timetable.
- ç)** Conducts the Inspection, Roll Call, and Flag Ceremony, and the Campfire.
- d)** Monitors all entries, exits, and permissions at the camps.
- (2)** The Leader assigned to the nighttime duty services at the camps, throughout the night duties:
- a)** Is responsible for the security and safety of the camp.
- b)** Checks the duty roster for the nighttime duty scouts.
- c)** Ensures the duties are carried out in accordance with the duty roster.
- ç)** Ensures the duty scouts perform their nighttime duty in compliance with the night time duty rules.

Training Activities

Article 20- Training Activities at the camps focus on:

- a)** The Symbolic Framework.
- b)** Activities aimed at learning the items in the Achievement Log.
- c)** The implementation of the Patrol System.
- ç)** Game and Development activities.
- d)** Community Service activities.
- e)** Social and Cultural activities.
- f)** Handicrafts and Proficiency Badge work.
- g)** Station activities.
- ğ)** Night activities.
- h)** Environmental visits and studies.
- i)** Programmed (Themed) Campfires.
- i)** Music activities and Scout Anthems.
- j)** Construction of Camp Facilities.
- k)** Reflection/Contemplation work.
- l)** Ensuring that the activities are suitable for the age sections and genders.
- l)** Other scouting activities.

Disciplinary Matters

Camp Disciplinary Board

Article 21- In International, National, and Local Camps, the Disciplinary Board consists of the camp management. It prepares the necessary documents according to the Disciplinary Regulation and submits them to the Federation Disciplinary Board. In very important situations, the camp management may apply to the Federation and request the assignment of a Federation Disciplinary Board member regarding the incident. Clubs prepare the necessary documents regarding the person they request to be penalized as a result of incidents in their own activities and submit them to the Federation Disciplinary Board. A club that penalizes a scout, Leader, or scouting volunteer due to a problem is obliged to report it to the Federation along with the official records.

Awards and Penalties

Article 22- (1) Award and penalty procedures are carried out as follows. Those who demonstrate outstanding success or exhibit exemplary behavior among the camp participants are rewarded according to the award regulation. Those who commit an offense are processed according to the provisions of the disciplinary regulation.

Financial Matters

Article 23- Financial matters are carried out according to the relevant legislation.

Documents and Files to be Kept at Camps

Article 24- (1) The following records are kept at the camps, proportionate to the camp's capacity:

- a)** Camp approval and correspondence file.
- b)** Guard Duty Leader file.
- c)** Approved scout and Leader name lists.
- ç)** Camp entry, exit (Scout handover records), and visitor file.
- d)** Fixed asset inventory records.
- e)** Daily roll call and inspection charts.
- f)** Income - Expenditure records.
- g)** Report file.
- g)** Dispensary records.
- i)** Daily meal lists.
- k)** Other necessary records.

Inspection and Evaluation:

Article 25- (1) All camps can be inspected by the Federation, and Club and Unit camps can be inspected by the Provincial Representative Office, and Unit, Club, and Local Camps can be inspected by the Regional Director. The inspection results are forwarded to the Federation. The necessary authorization and assignment document for the officer appointed for inspections by the Federation shall be provided by the Federation. The necessary authorization and assignment document for the officer appointed by the Provincial Representative Office shall be provided by the Provincial Representative before the inspection. This authorization document shall specify the scope of the authority and duty clearly and unambiguously.

(2) The Federation's Technical Committee may appoint an observer to all camps deemed necessary.

International Camps

Article 26- The general rules for International Camps are as follows:

- a)** The authority to organize international scouting activities and to send scouts abroad belongs to the Turkish Scouting Federation.
- b)** Clubs cannot participate in international scouting activities to be held abroad or domestically without the approval of the Federation and without fulfilling the necessary conditions.
- c)** Clubs may invite scouts from abroad to their activities with the permission of the Federation, but this does not mean that the organized activity is international. These camps are called "Camps with Participation from Abroad".
- ç)** Camps abroad that clubs attend through their own contacts, even if permitted by the Federation for departure, are not in the status of an International Camp. These camps are called "Camps Abroad".
- d)** The Turkish Scouting Federation assigns the management of the Turkish contingent participating in an International Camp. No one may use the National Scarf at camps abroad unless the Turkish Scouting Federation grants written permission for its use to the activity manager.
- e)** For participation in all types of activities abroad and for Camps with Participation from Abroad organized domestically, everyone must meet the requirements for International Camp participation.
- f)** Projects and all types of work and contacts with foreign scouts, and the activities to be carried out are subject to the permission of the Federation and the conditions for International Camps.
- g)** Preparation camps are held for the information and training of scouts for Jamborees and other camps abroad, with the approval of the Technical Committee.

Article 27- The qualities required for scouts participating in an International Camp are:

- a)** Being a licensed, active scout in a registered unit for at least 24 months (as of the starting date of the activity).
- b)** Having completed the Outdoor Engagement.
- c)** Having participated in at least one National Camp and one National Awareness Camp.
- ç)** Continuing scouting without interruption.
- d)** Possessing the scouting equipment and materials requested by the Federation to represent our country abroad.

Article 28- The qualities required for clubs participating in an International Camp are:

- a)** Having completed at least 2 calendar years since the registration of the Scouting Branch.
- b)** Having organized at least 1 long-term club camp within the last year.
- c)** Having participated in at least 1 long-term local camp within the last year.
- ç)** Having participated in at least 1 National Awareness, parade, or service activity organization in their province within the last year.
- d)** Having participated in at least one National Camp and one National Awareness Camp organized by the Federation within the last two years.
- e)** Providing and specifying the tents, kitchen, health, flag, pennant, and country promotion equipment for the participating scouts and Leaders.
- f)** Submitting the camp's participation fee and application documents to the Federation completely.

g) When announced by the Federation, providing the Federation with documentation guaranteeing that the group's transportation, hotel, and health insurance documents are secured through an agency authorized by the Ministry of Culture and Tourism.

Article 29- The qualities required for the contingent leader taking scouts to an International Camp are:

- a)** Being a licensed, active Leader in a registered unit.
- b)** Documenting proficiency in a foreign language at a good level or taking an approved translator (preferably a Leader or a professional translator) who documents very good language skills.
- c)** Having successfully completed at least the Troop Leader course.
- c)** Having participated as a Leader in one National Camp and one National Awareness Camp.
- d)** Possessing the scouting skills, knowledge, and technical equipment to represent our country abroad.

Article 30 – (1) Scout units of the Turkish Scouting Federation, in accordance with the scouting method, are required within one calendar year (January 1 – December 31) to:

- a)** Organize at least one weekend camp,
- b)** Organize at least one long-term camp.

(2) Units that fail to organize the activities above with official approval or fail to submit their reports to the system on time shall be closed.

Applications within the Camp

Article 31- (1) The following general rules shall be observed within the camp. Camp rules conforming to this article, and specific matters related to the organized camp if any, shall be written by the camp management and announced to all camp participants.

(2) Camps are places where only scouting activities are implemented, therefore all applications and activities must be suitable for this purpose.

(3) The Symbolic Framework shall be adhered to in the camps.

(4) Morning inspection, roll call, and flag ceremonies shall be conducted according to Articles 34 and 35.

(5) Campfires shall be conducted according to Article 33.

(6) Obscene, suggestive, or vulgar language is forbidden in the camps, and songs with such content cannot be sung.

(7) Boys cannot play girl roles, and girls cannot play boy roles, nor can they play husband-and-wife roles (Grandparent/parent roles are an exception). Deviations from general moral principles are forbidden.

(8) Everyone holding a scouting license must wear the uniform according to the uniform regulation in all scouting activities.

(9) Since there are no free hours in the camps, and every moment is a training application, the programming is done and implemented accordingly.

(10) Since the camp is an application programmed with training at every moment, the camp management has the authority to determine and implement the principles regarding telephone, visits, and communication.

(11) A discipline based on mutual love and respect is essential between the administrators, Leaders, and scouts in the camps. Behaviors that do not comply with this should be avoided.

(12) Damage to the camp area, nature, and fixed assets must be avoided, and all kinds of waste, including time, must be avoided.

(13) All camp participants are strictly obliged to comply with the daily timetable. To ensure that scouts and Leaders do not suffer from lack of sleep, they must not stay up late outside of the training program.

(14) Duty assignments shall be executed to maintain order in the camps. The duty assignment is the most crucial task, therefore it is necessary to uphold the seriousness of the responsibility. The assigned post must not be abandoned without permission for any reason. Especially during night duties, the scouts remaining in the tents and any burning fire must be checked frequently. Unnecessary behaviors such as sitting by the fire, talking, eating, drinking, etc., should be avoided, and the reality that the camp's safety and order are the responsibility of the personnel on duty must never be forgotten.

(15) No activity should be carried out without taking the necessary safety measures to prevent undesirable accidents or incidents in the camps. Taking and ensuring the continuity of such measures is the responsibility of the camp management.

(16) Smoking is prohibited for all scouts, and for Leaders and adults outside of a designated area separated so as not to be visible to scouts.

(17) A camp is a training area to instill in scouts a healthy and balanced lifestyle, free from harmful habits. Therefore: Camps are organizations where alcoholic beverages are not consumed, where one is not present while intoxicated, and where no narcotics are used. Even when a camp activity is not ongoing, scouting facilities are places where the ban on alcohol, smoking, and harmful habits is enforced.

(18) As scouts coming from different locations, we may wish to acquire items belonging to each other's culture. The exchange of badges, patches, and various scouting materials is permitted, provided it is fair, aligns with the spirit of scouting, and does not result in commercial gain. Transactions such as exchange can only occur between scouts and scouts, and Leaders and Leaders. Leaders and scouts cannot exchange items.

(19) Writing or signing on the uniform, T-shirt, or scarf used in the camps is forbidden (except for souvenir T-shirts and scarves made specifically for that camp).

(20) Gambling and games suggestive of gambling are strictly prohibited in the camps.

(21) Camp participants and officials may not leave the camp area without the knowledge of the camp management, except when required by the activity.

(22) In camps, as in all scouting activities, engaging in political behavior or speeches is forbidden. Speeches or writings in favor of or against any political party or person cannot be made or displayed.

(23) Leaders are primarily responsible for the scouts they bring to the camp and must treat every scout in the camp as their own.

(24) In situations of danger and first aid that arise in the camps, all Leaders participating in the activity, and the scouts under their supervision, shall attend to the incident and take necessary action.

(25) The camp management shall designate a responsible person and ensure the implementation to keep the vehicles and equipment used at all times maintained and ready for service.

(26) Necessary efforts to ensure the cleanliness, tidiness, and order of the camp and its surroundings are carried out collaboratively. Every sub-camp shall take the necessary precautions within the duty system.

(27) A management center shall be established reporting to the Camp Director, where correspondence, communication, and announcements are handled.

(28) If necessary, the camp management may commission the creation of souvenir items such as badges, scarves to be worn during the camp duration, and similar items within the scope of the uniform regulation.

(29) Guests from other clubs, provinces, regions, and countries may be invited to Club, Local, and Regional Camps. However, the number of guests cannot exceed the number of scouts participating in the camp organized by the host club, province, or region.

(30) Clubs may conduct activities together, but in this arrangement, only one club shall be the host. The number of participating scouts cannot exceed the number of scouts of the host club. Financial and administrative affairs are conducted under the responsibility of the host club in accordance with the relevant legislation. Clubs and provinces participating as guests in a camp in another province are not considered to have completed their own club or local camps. Leaders may attend the camps of other clubs as guests with the approval of their Club Leader. Camps that will host guests must be approved by the Provincial Representatives of the host and guest scouts.

(31) Regions, provinces, and clubs are forbidden from organizing International Camps.

(32) Organized camps shall be given a Turkish name.

(33) Scouts participating in all types of activities shall be in uniform during departure and return, upon entry to the activity, during the activity, and upon exit.

(34) All behaviors during travel and transportation shall be conducted with the seriousness of a camp.

(35) Overnight accommodation in camps is one of the matters that require extremely careful arrangement. Scouts sleep in tents or dormitories in groups of 3 or more people. Tent purchases and dormitory arrangements are organized accordingly. Two scouts cannot sleep in one tent or two scouts in one bed. Girls and boys shall be in separate sub-camp areas.

(36) In point scoring and competitions between Patrols and Teams, girl and boy scout Patrols/Teams shall be evaluated against Patrols/Teams of the same gender and section.

(37) It is the responsibility of the camp management to ensure that the number of necessary toilet and shower facilities in the camps is adjusted separately for girls and boys according to the number of participants, and that they are kept clean and open.

(38) If the camps cause pollution or harm to the environment, the responsible party is the camp management.

(39) Humiliating games and jokes are prohibited.

(40) Turkish Scouts are so careful that they will not pick fruit even from an unclaimed tree by the roadside, let alone cultivated agricultural products.

(41) Lighting a fire in camps is a scouting tradition, however, a fire is not lit in environments where there are risks such as a forest fire or the public observing and attempting to light fires by example.

(42) During travel and the Camp, if there are boy scouts, there must definitely be a male scout Leader, and if there are girl scouts, there must be a female scout Leader. If a Leader scheduled for travel does not attend for any reason, the scouts of that gender cannot depart for that journey.

(43) Scouts shall be seated according to the Patrol/Team system even in seating arrangements during travel.

(44) Outdoor activities are based on a minimum of three adults. An outdoor activity can be carried out if there are three licensed scout Leaders, or one licensed scout Leader with two scouting volunteers over the age of 21, or if there are parents over the age of 21 from the family of a participating scout (with a scouting volunteer

license). The club management and unit Leader are primarily responsible for meeting this requirement.

(45) Leaving the camps is forbidden unless there is a valid excuse. Guests may not be invited, and scouts may not be taken away from the activity without the knowledge of the camp management.

(46) Turkish Scouts maintain conduct befitting Turkish Scouts when wearing their uniform during all activities. Everyone must be well-groomed. Women must not wear excessive makeup. For security reasons, no one may wear earrings, metal rings, piercings, rings, etc.

(47) In line with the principle that World Scouts are brothers and sisters, scouts of the opposite gender can only have a fraternal/sororal friendship relationship within scouting activities, nothing else.

(48) The organized camps are scored as specified in Annex 1.

(49) The organized camps are coded as shown in Annex 2.

(50) Camp badges are arranged as per the Uniform Regulation.

(51) No badge or uniform not included in the Uniform Regulation can be used in any camp. The Federation is the responsible user of non-patented material. Materials produced by non-patent holders are not considered a uniform, and participation in activities with them is forbidden. The shirts, trousers, and hats of old uniforms can be used for two years from the publication date of the Federation Uniform Regulation. Scarves, badges, and insignia take effect immediately.

(52) The camp management of National, Regional, Local, Club, and Unit Camps must enter and complete the report in the automation system's report section within 20 days after the camp ends. A camp for which the report has not been entered after 20 days is considered not to have been conducted. Since the activity will not be recorded in the participants' records, the rights they would gain are irreversibly lost. If it is revealed that the camp was conducted but the report was not submitted (on the grounds that participants suffered injustice and their progress was impeded), necessary action shall be taken against the camp management.

(53) In camps with a special status, conducted serially and by or under the supervision of the Federation, all procedures such as reports and records may be submitted after the period specified by the Federation Presidency following the end of the camps.

(54) Persons without provincial approval, unlicensed, or whose license has not been renewed are not admitted to any camp. No scout may participate in a scouting activity outside of their own club without written approval from their club. Invitations to scouts, Leaders, or scouting volunteers cannot be made outside of written consultation between the involved clubs. Guests, specialists, and other persons outside of the list cannot be invited. Participation in an activity with someone else's license is forbidden, and in such a case, the responsible parties shall be referred to both the Federation Disciplinary Board and the judiciary.

(55) The amount expended for the scouts and Leaders who have notified their intention to attend a National or International Camp but do not cancel their registration 15 days before the National Camp, or 7 days before the Local Camp, and who do not attend without a valid excuse, shall be collected.

(56) The camp management is obliged to contact the security units in the camp region before the camp to provide information about the camp, prepare a list and identity information of all persons in the camp, and provide it when requested by the security units.

(57) In correspondence during camps and other scouting activities, headings and correspondence shall be done according to the Activities and Regulations Regulation.

(58) The camp management shall draw the participants' attention by posting the necessary information on a board placed in an appropriate location in the camp. Forms and charts prepared by the Federation shall be adapted to the camp's content and used.

(59) One-on-one work is forbidden in scout camps. Dual work between an adult or Leader and a scout or Rover/Venture Scout is forbidden. In cases requiring dual consultation or work, this activity must be carried out in places visible to everyone or in environments where other people are present.

(60) There are no secret activities within the Federation.

(61) Scout Leaders, adult volunteers, and their first-degree relatives such as spouses and children who are on duty in the camps may bring or host them in unit, group, and club camps, provided they are not assigned to a duty in the camp and have no relation to scouting.

(62) Scouting Volunteers may participate in International and National Camps with the Federation's permission, and in Local Camps only with the specified name and assignment permission of the camp management.

(63) Clubs and their scouts participating in camp activities, especially at the national level, are also obliged to comply with the special camp instructions that the camp management may issue and announce beforehand and during the camp, provided they obtain permission from the Federation in line with the relevant regulations and instructions of the Federation.

(64) In all national-level camps and activities, provinces and clubs shall use signs, posters, and banners in the format and size announced beforehand by the camp administration or the Federation, and pennants and banners in the form specified in the regulations.

(65) A camp full of health, success, affection, and training is everyone's desire. The Scout Promise and Law are in effect at the camp, just as at all times.

(66) No one can physically assault anyone else for the purpose of punishment.

(67) No one can punish anyone else by making them hungry, thirsty, or sleep-deprived.

(68) Everyone is ensured to go to bed at bedtime, except for the Leaders present at the Leader meeting and the duty personnel who replace them.

(69) The sleep hours of Leaders and scouts in camps must be carefully adjusted, and complete silence must be ensured after bedtime. The ideal is 11:00 PM lights out and 7:30 AM wake-up, except for exceptions.

(70) Camps are for scouts; parents cannot participate, and parents do not visit to avoid disruption of the training.

(71) Campfires are for the education of the scout. Visitors are not invited, and the campfire is not turned into a show area.

(72) The concept of "continuous scouting" ends for a scout whose license renewal is not done within 3 months, and the new period starts again from the date of renewal.

(73) The main camp can be divided into the necessary number of sub-camps.

Camp Rating Table

Article 32-

- (3) Outdoor activity with a "National Awareness" theme, minimum two hours.
- (4) Facility-based activity with a "National Awareness" theme, minimum one night.
- (5) Tent-based activity with a "National Awareness" theme, minimum one night.

- (6) Tent-based activity with a "National Awareness" theme, minimum three nights.+1 point for each sub-clause if the "National Awareness" themed activities are held in snowy conditions and at least 300 meters away from asphalt roads.
- (3) Daily activity with a "Service" theme, minimum 10 hours.
- (4) Facility-based activity with a "Service" theme, minimum one night.
- (5) Tent-based activity with a "Service" theme, minimum one night.
- (6) Tent-based activity with a "Service" theme, minimum three nights.+1 point for each sub-clause if the "Service" themed activities are held in snowy conditions and at least 300 meters away from asphalt roads.
- (3) Daily activity with an "Environmental" theme, minimum 10 hours.
- (4) Facility-based activity with an "Environmental" theme, minimum one night.
- (5) Tent-based activity with an "Environmental" theme, minimum one night.
- (6) Tent-based activity with an "Environmental" theme, minimum three nights.+1 point for each sub-clause if the "Environmental" themed activities are held in snowy conditions and at least 300 meters away from asphalt roads.
- (5) Minimum one night, tent or shelter-based, with no vehicle access road, at least 200 meters away from the road.
- (5) Tent-based, minimum one night, 3 km away from the nearest settlement.(4)Tent-based, minimum one night, 1 km away from the nearest settlement.
- (3) Tent-based, minimum one night, near a settlement.
- (1) Daily excursion, minimum 10 hours.(3)Facility-based, minimum 6 nights.
- (2) Facility-based, minimum one night.
- (9) Tent-based, minimum 6 nights, with no vehicle access road, at least 300 meters away from the road.
- (8) Tent-based, minimum 6 nights, 3 km away from the nearest settlement or at sea (marine activity).
- (7) Tent-based, minimum 6 nights, 1 km away from the nearest settlement or at sea (marine activity).
- (6) Tent-based, minimum 6 nights, near a settlement or at sea (marine activity).
- (4) Facility-based, minimum 1 night, in snowy conditions or at sea (marine activity).
- (5) Tent-based, minimum 1 night, in snowy conditions.
- (6) Tent-based, minimum 1 night, in snowy conditions with a snow cave.
- (8) Primitive facility, minimum 6 nights, in snowy conditions, 1 km away from the nearest settlement.
- (7) Tent-based, minimum 3 nights, in snowy conditions.
- (8) Tent or shelter-based, minimum 3 nights, with daytime trekking and nighttime accommodation.

Campfire

Article 33- (1) A campfire shall be held every night at the Turkish Scouting Federation camps.

(2) The critical element in a campfire is not merely lighting a fire, but ensuring the education of the youth members. This is because a "CAMPFIRE IS ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE YOUTH MEMBER AND EDUCATION FOR THE LEADER".

(3) Due to educational necessity, the ceremony and campfire may be omitted exceptionally once or twice.

(4) No one should sit around the campfire or in other areas after the campfire program has concluded.

(5) Managing the campfire is the duty of the assigned Leader on duty. However, since campfire management requires a separate skill set, especially in crowded camps, the duty Leader may, with the permission of the Camp Director, delegate this task to a Leader who is more competent in performing it, in order to maintain the youth members' interest.

(6) Obscene, suggestive, or vulgar language is forbidden in camps and during campfires, and songs with such content cannot be sung. Slang and political discourses are not allowed (statements with political content are not permitted).

(7) Boys cannot play girl roles, and girls cannot play boy roles, nor can they play husband-and-wife roles in camps and at campfires (Grandparent/parent roles are an exception). Deviations from general moral principles are forbidden (departing from general moral principles is not permitted).

(8) Skits performed once at the campfires cannot be performed again, except in exceptional cases where Leaders and youth members request a repetition because they enjoyed it.

(9) Campfires and farewell campfires cannot be repeated numerous times for visiting guests, rehearsals cannot be conducted, and the campfire must not be diverted from its purpose and turned into a show to entertain guests (it must not be turned into a display for hosting guests by going beyond its purpose).

(10) Our campfire activities teach our youth members to:

- a) Speak in front of an audience,
- b) Produce ideas together and own and implement that idea,
- c) Express themselves comfortably.

(11) In this activity, youth members relieve the fatigue and stress of the day.

(12) The campfire begins with the arrival and seating of the youth members in their Units, Sixes, Patrols, or Teams.

(13) Seating around the fire is usually in a circle. The camp management forms a specific section of the circle. Leaders sit among their youth members. If it is very crowded, concentric circles may be used for seating. In crowded camps, a U-shape, with the stage at the open end, may be used for seating.

(14) The campfire ends with the song, "Come on Youth Members, Sweet Dreams," or a farewell waltz on the farewell night.

(15) After the campfire activity concludes, all youth members retire to bed. Leaders attend a meeting if necessary.

(16) The topics assigned to the Sixes, Patrols, or Teams at the campfire are evaluated under headings such as stage presence, humor, participation rate, and adherence to time by dividing the work among the Leaders, and these scores are added to their daily points.

(17) The Sixes, Patrols, or Teams whose turn it is at the campfire shall perform the roll call at the beginning and end of their program. The Leader on duty must receive the youth members' roll call while standing and saluting.

(18) The themes to be addressed in the campfire cannot be contrary to general customs and moral principles.

(19) Campfires cannot be on a free theme, except for one or two nights. They usually start with a Talents Night theme. Examples of themes that can be covered are National Awareness, Advertisements, News, Songs, Writing and reading camp and scouting-related lyrics to songs, Leader impressions, and Leader's Night. The Campfire theme is given before the evening meal, and youth members are asked to produce and present their skits in a short time.

(20) The intervals between patrol and team performances may be enriched with scout applause and songs.

(21) At campfires, care is taken to ensure that every scout takes part.

(22) In large camps, aside from the main campfire, sub-camps, units, patrols, or teams may occasionally hold their own smaller campfires.

(23) Lighting fires in camps and at campfires is a scouting tradition. However, in environments where there is a risk of forest fires or where the public might imitate what they see and attempt to light fires themselves, fires must not be lit.

(24) A campfire should be remembered as entertainment for the scout, but as an educational tool related to child development for the leader. Effort should be made to keep scouts active.

(25) If the scouts sit on the ground at the campfire, the leaders, officials, and guests also sit on the ground.

(26) After the campfire, some scouts may want to leave with their families. This disrupts the patrol and troop spirit as well as the camp order. Considering this issue in advance, the acceptance of parents and visitors depends on the camp management, according to the camp's conditions and the scouts' situation.

(27) The farewell campfire is different and important.

- (a) The campfire is arranged in a square shape, forming an upward pyramid-like structure.
- (b) Lighting the farewell fire is the duty and honor of the camp director. No matter who is at the camp, this duty cannot be transferred to anyone else.
- (c) Lighting the farewell fire using systems such as arrows, cable lines, or torches may be preferred, as it leaves a memorable impression on the scouts.
- (c) The farewell campfire is carried out with great care. The camp director lights the fire and calls the scouts by saying three times: "Our campfire is lit, scouts may come." The scouts silently come out from where they were hiding and form a circle around the fire.
- (d) The camp director or a leader assigned by them recites the fire prayer. The scouts repeat each sentence afterward.
- (e) The fire and the meal are never saluted.
- (f) The duty leader instructs all scouts to clasp their hands behind their backs and leads the fire round.
- (g) Scouts cross their hands behind their backs, sing the fire round, and sway starting from the right. Everyone's gaze is on the leader directing the campfire, and they follow the leader's rhythm while swaying.
- (g) The duty leader tells those who brought the campfire coal to throw it into the fire and recommends collecting coal in the morning. This is a long-standing tradition in the national scouting organization. Each scout transfers the coal from the fire of the previous camp to the next, symbolizing that scouting is an unbreakable bond, that they are connected like links of a chain, that there is no difference between the first scout fire and this last one, and that the spirit of scouting will live forever.
- (h) After having the scouts sing a few energetic marches, the duty leader has them sit down.
- (i) The campfire program is presented by the duty patrol in a creative way, and the program begins.
- (i) The campfire program starts at a fast pace and gradually slows down toward the end.
- (j) After the farewell waltz, without shaking hands or waving arms, the scouts go to bed in complete silence.

- (k) If necessary, the leaders proceed to a meeting.
- (l) After some time, the farewell campfire is extinguished with water by the duty patrol.
- (m) If there are any lamps lit during the lighting of the farewell campfire and the farewell waltz, they are turned off.
- (n) In winter camps and in very cold weather, the section between lighting the fire and the farewell waltz — or even the entire campfire event — may be held indoors.
- (28) To prevent scouts from losing focus, leaders sit among the scouts at the campfire.
- (29) If a fire is going to be lit at the campfire, safety precautions must always be taken. It must not be forgotten: the sparks of the fire must be monitored constantly. Sparks cannot always be noticed by someone standing near the fire; they may instead be spotted from a distance by someone who cannot even see the fire directly.
- (30) The campfire area must be dimly lit. It should not be illuminated too brightly.
- (31) Sometimes you may not find firewood, or even if you do, you may not be able to light it. A burning stove, a candle, a lantern, a bulb, or even a battery-powered flashlight may be used instead.
- (32) When conditions allow, different styles of campfires, fire types, and lighting techniques may be prepared.
- (33) Inviting a famous artist to the campfire is not a skill. The real skill is turning the scout into the artist.
- (34) Local folk dance groups may contribute to your campfire. Opportunities may be used, but everything must be kept in moderation.
- (35) In places where sitting around the campfire is not safe, it may be conducted standing.
- (36) In activities such as National Awareness events, if conditions are not suitable, the farewell campfire may be omitted.

Inspection

Article 34 – (1) The purpose is “to develop the scouts’ inner discipline.” However, without the development of “outer discipline,” forming inner discipline is very difficult. Therefore, we must cultivate a sense of discipline in our scouts that will continue even after the camps.

- (2) A scout should be a civilized person who keeps their home tidy and does so willingly.
- (3) Inspection is a tool used to help develop this habit.



- (4) Patrols and teams prepare meticulously before inspection time and line up in their designated areas a few minutes beforehand. As always, the patrol leader stands at the far right of the patrol, and the assistant leader stands at the far left.
- (5) The inspection begins with the duty leader’s whistle command for “attention.”
- (6) When the leaders who will conduct the inspection approach the patrol, the patrol leader gives the commands: At ease (scouts shift from “at ease” to “attention”), then At ease, Attention, Alert.

They take one step forward, face the leader directly, salute, and say:

“..... Patrol is ready for inspection, Leader.”

Then they end the salute, step back one step, and return to their place.

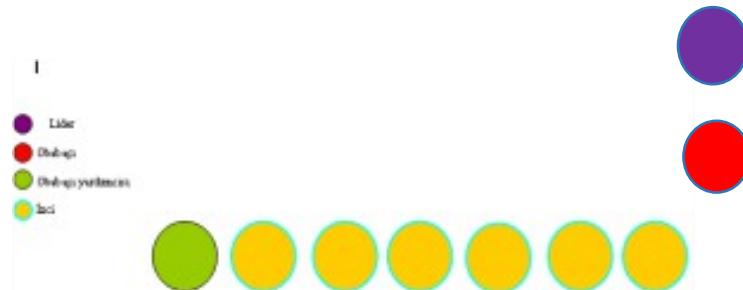
(7) The leader says: “..... Patrol, good morning.”

Scouts: “Thank you.”

Leader: “How are you?”

Scouts: “Thank you.”

Leader: “Thank you as well. At ease.”



(8) Together with the patrol leader, the leader examines the patrol's area and carries out the inspection.

(9) Evaluation must always be done objectively, separately for groups, troops, and units, and separately for girls and boys.

(10) The winner of the day is chosen separately in groups, troops and units, and separately among girls and boys.

(11) The sleeping areas, tents, and rooms of female scouts are inspected by female leaders.

(12) Points earned from patrol spirit, as observed since the previous inspection, as well as scores from games and daily activities, are added.

(13) The score the patrol earned at the previous night's campfire is added, and the patrol's total score is determined.

(14) Patrol spirit is essential in camps. However, behaviors outside the norm cannot be excused under the guise of patrol spirit, and improper clothing cannot be worn.

(15) After the inspection, patrols take their places in the ceremony area while singing scout marches.



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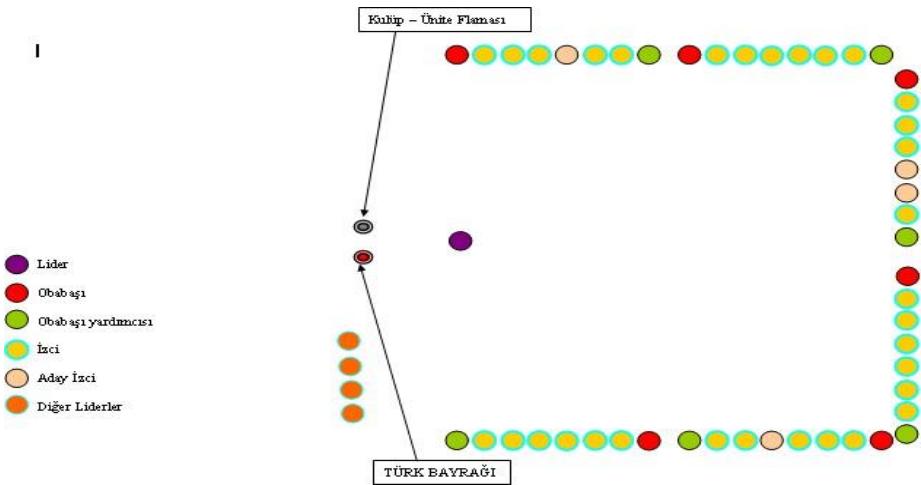
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Flag Ceremony

Article 35 –

(1) It is a ceremony in which scouts and leaders demonstrate their respect and loyalty to the flag and the homeland with proper uniforms, care, and discipline.



(2) A flag ceremony is held in all scouting activities without exception.

The sequence of the ceremony is as follows:

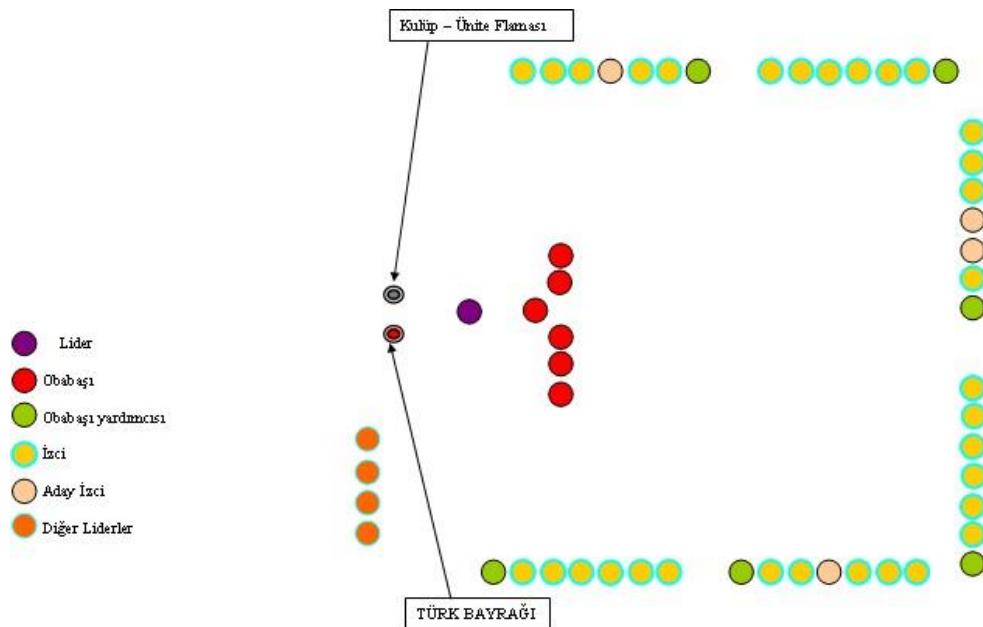
- Assembly (in a U-formation)
- Roll call
- Flag handover
- Flag ceremony
- Good wishes
- Inspection results and announcements
- Dismissal.

(3) Scouts take their places in a U-formation in the ceremony area. The flagpoles are located at the open end of the U.

(4) Depending on the size of the camp or course, the U-formation may expand and consist of two, three, or four rows. If there are many leaders and specialists positioned at the open end of the U, they may spread out to both sides of the flagpole.

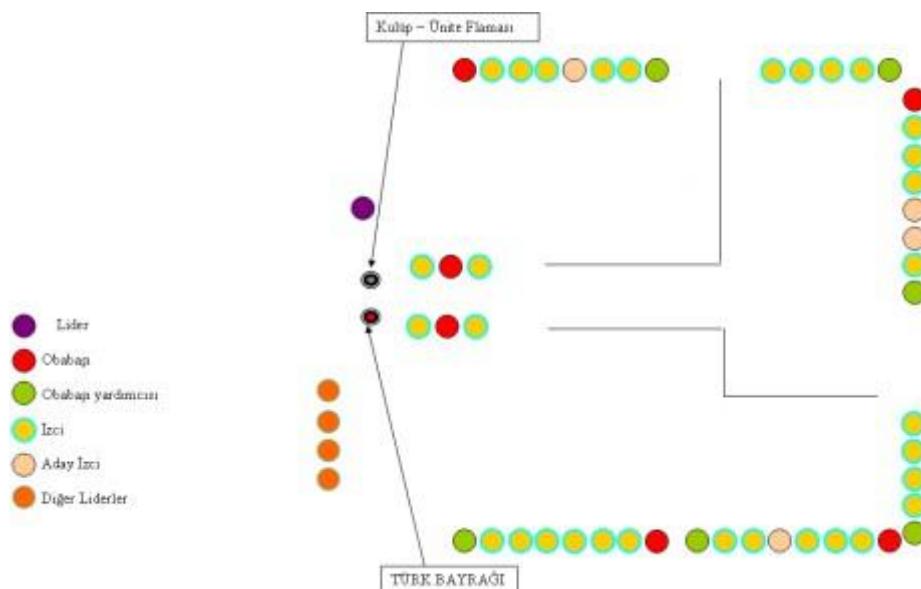
(5) During the roll call:

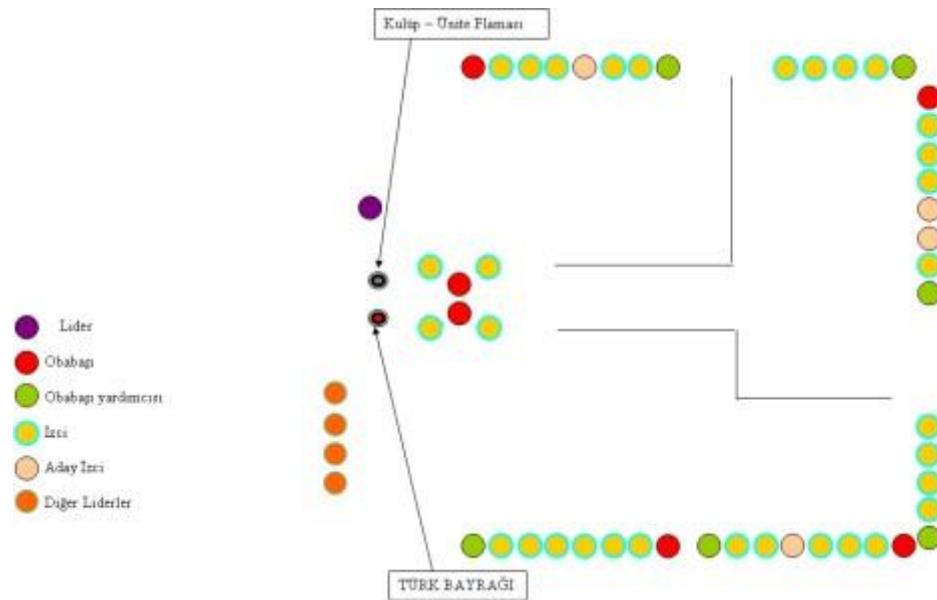
- a) Scout leaders take roll call from patrols before flag ceremonies, before weekly unit meetings, and before and after camp mornings or outdoor activities.
- b) The purpose of the roll call is to determine the number of scouts, identify absentees and those who are ill, gather scouts' opinions, and provide information related to the activity.
- c) During roll call, scouts line up in front of the leader in a U-formation for flag ceremonies, and in a U, column, or rank formation in other settings.
- d) Patrol leaders count their scouts, identify any absentees, and give the command: "... Patrol at ease, attention."
- e) Then the patrol leader runs to stand in front of the leader. Patrol leaders line up three steps in front of the leader according to patrol order and wait for the others to arrive.
- f) The duty patrol leader stands at the far right of this lineup. Meanwhile, scouts remain at attention.
- g) After the duty patrol leader gives the command "Patrol leaders, at ease, attention," they take one step forward, salute, and say: "Leader, the ... Patrol is ready for the activity with ... scouts," then take one step back. The other patrol leaders give their roll call in the same manner.
- h) At the end of the roll call, the duty patrol leader commands: "Patrol leaders, to your positions, quick march." Patrol leaders run back to their patrols and give the command "... Patrol, at ease."
- i) The Duty Leader: '... Scouts!'
 - (Scouts come to attention)
 - Duty Leader: 'Good morning, friends.'
 - Scouts: 'Thank you.'
 - Duty Leader: 'How are you?'
 - Scouts: 'Thank you.'
 - The Duty Leader: 'Thank you as well. At ease.'



(6) After the roll call in the flag ceremony, the flag handover takes place.

- a) The handover begins when the command 'Flag teams, take your positions' is given.
- b) Flag handover teams consist of three scouts.
- c) The scout in the middle gives the commands, receives, raises, carries, and lowers the flag.
- ç) The flag is always held at chest level.
- d) The handover teams maintain a highly serious and disciplined posture and march.
- e) The leader of the handover team is the scout in the middle; those on the sides are the flag guards. The guards salute during the handover and while the flag is being raised or lowered. Their stance faces the flag during the raising or lowering process.
- f) When the leaders of the handover teams hear the Duty Leader command, 'Flag Handover Teams, take your positions,' they command: 'Flag team, one step forward, march; right (left) turn; to your positions, quick march.' The teams then march to their positions with firm and proper steps."





g) The team leader positions the team with the commands 'Mark time, Halt, right (left) turn.' There is a three-step distance between the teams. When standing with their backs toward the closed end of the U-formation and their faces toward the open end of the U—thus facing the flagpole—the team on the left is positioned to hand over the flag, and the team on the right is positioned to receive it.

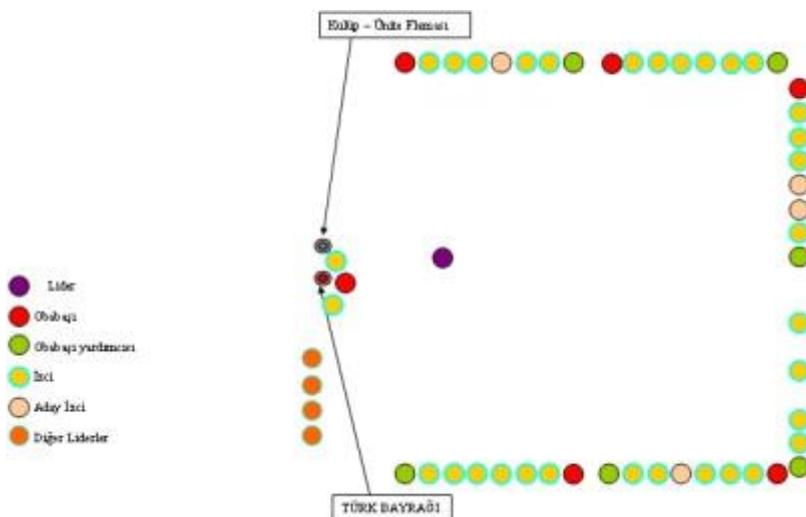
g) After the teams are positioned, the Duty Leader gives the command 'Attention.' During this moment, and while the National Anthem is sung, the entire Course Administration (in courses), all leaders (in camps), and the flag guards stand at salute. The scouts who will hand over and receive the flag step one pace forward. The flag is always held at chest level.

h) The scout handing over the flag says, 'I hand over our flag, which I have protected with honor' (kisses the flag and extends it at chest level).

i) The scout receiving the flag (takes the flag, kisses it, holds it at chest level) and says, 'I promise to protect our flag, which I have received with honor.'

i) The scout handing over the flag then commands: 'Flag team, left (right) turn – to your positions, quick march.' The team marches back to their positions at a running pace.

j) The scout receiving the flag commands: 'Flag team, left (right) turn – to your positions, quick march,' and the team runs to the side of the flagpole.



- k)** The scout receiving the flag continues to hold it at chest level, facing the flagpole with their back toward the U-formation.
- l)** The flag guards untie the rope and simultaneously attach both ends of the rope to the flag using the standard flag knot.
- m)** Once ready, the scout receiving the flag places the folded flag into the hands of the flag guard on their right—held at chest level—and takes the ropes into their own hands.
- n)** When the flag is ready, the Duty Leader turns their back to the flagpole and faces the scouts, saying, ‘I will give the call for the National Anthem.’
- o)** The Duty Leader gives the call by saying, ‘Fear not, the red flame...’ and then commands, ‘For the National Anthem: stand at ease – attention – salute,’ initiating the singing of the National Anthem.
- o)** At the end of the National Anthem, the Duty Leader turns back toward the flag and salutes.
- p)** Then, turning again toward the scouts, the Duty Leader gives the command ‘At ease,’ and says, ‘I now leave you with good wishes for yourselves, your families, your homeland, your nation, and all humanity.’ (Good wishes continue for approximately one minute.)
- r)** During the good wishes, scouts remain in the same position as the ‘at ease’ command.
- s)** Throughout the National Anthem, the flag guards salute the flag.
- q)** The scout raising the flag pulls it up swiftly, holds the ropes in their left hand, stands at attention without changing position, salutes, and when the command ‘at ease’ is given, ties the rope to the pole.
- t)** The leader of the team lines them up and commands: ‘Flag team, left (right) turn – to your positions, quick march.’ The team runs back to their positions.

- (7) From the command ‘Tekmil’ until the end of the National Anthem and the good wishes, no songs are sung and no games are played.
- (8) The Duty Leader signals the end of the good wishes by saying ‘Thank you,’ and may, if desired, give a few individuals the opportunity to share their own wishes.
- (9) After the good wishes, the inspection results are announced.
- (10) The first-place patrol of the day and its teams are announced separately for girls and boys.
- (11) For the patrol cheer, the patrol comes to the center, joins together in a circle, bends slightly forward, and performs its patrol cheer.
- (12) If time permits, those who placed—starting from the patrols in third place—are invited to the center.
- (13) After announcing the first-place patrols, any necessary warnings and announcements are made.
- (14) The Duty Leader commands, ‘Scouts, at ease – attention – you may dismiss.’
- (15) The scouts respond, ‘Thank you,’ and move to the at-ease position.
- (16) When leaving the ceremony area, it is done in an orderly and disciplined manner—patrol by patrol, unit by unit, or subcamp by subcamp—and everyone proceeds to their previously assigned work areas.
- (17) Every course and camp conducts a flag ceremony every morning without exception. In special situations when time is limited, with the permission of the

administration, the ceremony may be conducted in the same manner as the flag-lowering procedure.

(18) The Turkish Flag is never folded into a triangle.

(19) It must be folded in four corners, and no white color should be visible.

(20) In scouting activities, in addition to the flag being raised or lowered, there must also be a separate flag that remains flying continuously.

(21) Flag Lowering Ceremony:

The flag team arrives beneath the flagpole with the command 'forward march' half an hour before sunset.

The team and the duty leader act in the same manner as during the raising procedure. The duty leader or patrol leader announces that the flag is being lowered by giving the command 'Attention,' or with a whistle or siren signal.

Between the commands 'Attention' and 'At ease,' all scouts and leaders turn toward the flag, stand at attention, and give the scout salute.

The flag is lowered slowly.

After the 'At ease' command, the flag team folds the flag, ties the rope, and leaves the ceremony area with the command 'forward march.'

After the 'At ease' command, all other scouts and leaders resume their activities.

The long whistle signal indicates 'Attention,' and the short whistle signal indicates 'At ease.'

(22) Proper performance of the National Anthem is essential. The Duty Leader may lead it personally or, with the Camp Director's permission, invite the person—regardless of seniority or role—who can best lead the anthem.

(23) During the flag ceremony, everyone present in the camp must participate, except those excused by the Camp Director for valid reasons.

(24) In camps hosting guests from foreign countries, after our National Anthem is performed, their national anthem is also sung and their flag is raised and lowered with the same procedure.

(25) During the flag ceremony, eyes should be on the person leading the National Anthem. Those who are very close to the flagpole and must salute do not need to lift their heads to look directly at the flag. It is sufficient to turn toward the flagpole or look in its direction.

Oath-Taking Ceremony

Article 36 -

(1) Scouts who enter the scouting program at any level such as Cub Scouts, Scouts, or Venture Scouts, go through a candidacy period until they learn the basic principles.

(2) During the candidacy period, the fundamental elements of scouting are learned, such as the Promise, Law, salute, handshake, password, and purpose.

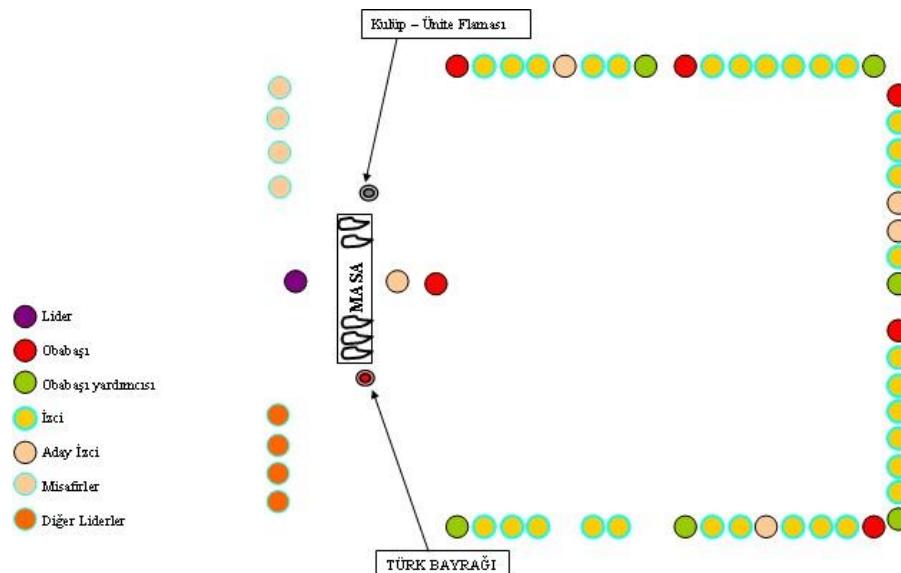
(3) The candidacy period lasts at least three months.

(4) Once all necessary conditions are fulfilled, the Oath-Taking Ceremony is held.

(5) The oath is the scout's promise, made before all scouts and the scout's family, to become a good scout, following a dialogue between the candidate and the leader.

(6) Candidate scouts take the oath one by one, standing before their leader.

(7) The ceremony is conducted using a formation similar to that of the Flag Ceremony. A table is placed at the open end of the U formation, and the leader stands behind it facing the scouts.



(8) The unit neckerchiefs of the scouts are placed on the table. On the right side of the table stands the Turkish Flag, and on the left side the troop or patrol pennant. (The right side of the table refers to the leader's right-hand side as the leader faces the scouts.)

(9) Scouts take the oath-taking position.

(10) The patrol leader commands: 'Candidate scout, one step forward—march.' When the scout steps forward, the patrol leader immediately takes position behind them. The patrol leader then commands: 'To the ceremonial area, in quick march.' The two of them walk in step to the front of the table. The patrol leader commands: 'At ease,' and the dialogue begins.

- Troop Leader: 'What do you want to become?'
- Candidate Scout: 'I want to become a scout.'
- Troop Leader: Why will you become a scout?
- Candidate Scout: To perform my duties toward God and my Country better, and to always be able to help others.
- Troop Leader: Do you know the first duty of a scout?
- Candidate Scout: Yes, to do a good turn daily.
- Troop Leader: Do you know the Scout Promise?
- Candidate Scout: Yes, I do.
- Troop Leader: Do you promise to remain faithful to the Scout Promise?
- Candidate Scout: Yes, with all my heart.
- Troop Leader: For how long?
- Candidate Scout: For as long as God permits...
- Troop Leader: Then repeat the Scout Promise.
- Candidate Scout: The candidate recites the Scout Oath.

(11) While the candidate scout recites the Scout Oath, they give the scout salute with the right hand and hold the flag with the left.

(12) The leader says, "You have become a scout of our troop and a brother/sister to all scouts of our nation and the world. I congratulate you."

The leader places the neckerchief around the scout's neck, shakes hands, and congratulates them.

The patrol leader, still standing behind the scout, escorts them back to their place in step.

(13) If there are other candidates, they take the oath in turn.

(14) If the scout's family or relatives are present, they congratulate the scout after the leader, and the family traditionally presents the scout with a piece of scouting equipment as a gift.

Repeal

Article 37 — The Turkish Scouting Federation Camp Regulations dated 06/11/2008 are hereby repealed.

Enforcement

Article 38 — **(1)** These Regulations enter into force on the date of their publication on the website of the Directorate General of Sports.

Execution

Article 39 — **(1)** The provisions of these Regulations shall be executed by the President of the Turkish Scouting Federation.