LEAVE NO TRACE AWARENESS AWARD

Leave No Trace is a plan that helps people to be more concerned about their environment and to help them protect it for future generations. Leave No Trace applies in a backyard or local park (front country) as much as it does in the wilderness (backcountry).

We should practice Leave No Trace in our attitude and actions – wherever we go. Understanding nature strengthens our respect toward the environment. One person with thoughtless behavior or one shortcut on a trail can spoil the outdoor experience for others.

Help protect the environment by remembering that while you are there, you are a visitor. When you visit the outdoors, take special care of the area. Leave everything just as you find it.

Hiking and camping without a trace are signs of a considerate outdoorsman who cares for the environment. Travel lightly on the land.

CUB SCOUT LEAVE NO TRACE PLEDGE

I promise to practice the
Leave No Trace front
country guidelines
wherever I go.

PLAN AHEAD

Watch for hazards and follow all the rules of the park or outdoor facility. Remember proper clothing, sunscreen, hats, first aid kits, and plenty of drinking water. Use the buddy system. Make sure you carry your family's name, phone number, and address.

STICK TO TRAILS

Stay on marked trails whenever possible. Shortcoming trails causes the soil to war away or to be packed, which eventually kills trees and other vegetation. Trampled wildflowers and vegetation take years to recover. Stick to trails.

MANAGE YOUR PET

Managing your pet will keep people, dogs, livestock, and wildlife from feeling threatened. Make sure your pet is on a leash or controlled at all times. Do not let your pet approach or chase wildlife. When animals are chased or disturbed, they change eating patterns and use more energy that may result in poor health or death. Take care of your pet's waste. Tale a small shovel or scoop and a pick-up bag to pick up your pets waste – wherever its left. Place the waste bags in a trashcan for disposal.

LEAVE WHAT YOU FIND

When visiting any outdoor area, try to leave it the same as you find it. The less impact we each make, the longer we will enjoy what we have. Even picking flowers denies others the opportunity to see them and reduces seeds, which means fewer plants next year. Use established rest rooms. Graffiti and vandalism have no place anywhere, and they spoil the experience for others. Leave your mark by doing an approved conservation project.

RESPECT OTHER VISITORS

Expect to meet other visitors. Be courteous and make room for others. Control your speed when biking or running. Pass with care and let others know before you pass Avoid disturbing others by making noise or playing loud music. Respect "No Trespassing" signs. If property boundaries are unclear, do not enter the area.

TRASH YOUR TRASH

Make sure all trash is put in a bag or trash receptacle. Trash is unsightly and ruins everyone's outdoor experience. Your trash can kill wildlife. Even materials, such as orange peels, apple cores and food scraps, take years to break down and may attract unwanted pests that could become a problem.

TIGER CUB SCOUT REQUIREMENTS

1. Discuss with your leader or parent/guardian the importance of the Leave No Trace front country guidelines.
2. Complete the activities for Achievement 5, Let's Go Outdoors.
3. Participate in a Leave No Trace-related service projects.
4. Promise to practice the Leave No Trace front country guidelines by signing the Cub Scout Leave No Trace Pledge.
5. Draw a poster to illustrate the Leave No Trace front country guidelines and display it a pack meeting.

WOLF, BEAR AND WEBELOS CUB SCOUT REQUIREMENTS

1. Discuss with your leader or parent//guardian the importance of the Leave No Trace front country guidelines.
2. On three separate outings; practice the front country guidelines of Leave No Trace.
3. On Wolf level complete Wolf Achievement 7, "Your Living World." Complete Achievement 12, "Family Outdoor Adventures" for Bear level. For Webelos, earn the Outdoorsman activity badge.
4. Participate in a Leave No Trace – related service project.
5. Promise to practice Leave No Trace front country guidelines by signing the Cub Scout Leave No Trace Pledge.
6. Draw a poster to illustrate the Leave No Trace front country guidelines and display it at a pack meeting.

CUB SCOUT LEADER REQUIREMENTS

1. Discuss with your den's Cub Scouts or your pack's leaders the importance of the Leave No Trace front country guidelines.
2. On three separate outings demonstrate and practice the front country guidelines of Leave No Trace.
3. Participate in presenting a den, pack, district, or council awareness session on Leave No Trace front country guidelines.
4. Participate in a Leave No Trace related service project.
5. Commit yourself to the Leave No Trace front country guidelines by signing the Cub Scout Leave No Trace Pledge.
6. Assist at least three boys in earning Cub Scouting's Leave No Trace Awareness Award.

The Leave No Trace Awareness Award is worn on the uniform shirt, centered on the right pocket as a TEMPORARY patch. Only ONE temporary patch may be worn at a time.