

# Introduction To Outdoor Leadership Skills (IOLS) FAQ

## What is being taught?

Introduction To Outdoor Leadership Skills a fun-filled program of hands-on skills training in the outdoors, designed to help you master basic camp skills. It is designed to provide Scouters with the confidence to take youth into the outdoors.

Instructors will help you learn how to set up camp, cook, and work with woods tools. You'll also learn about ropes, map reading and compass skills, hiking and packing techniques, outdoor ethics, and many other topics.

## How does this fit into being a "trained" Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmaster?

To be a "trained" Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmaster requires completing the online Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster courses as outlined in [BSA's Position Trained Requirements](#). The IOLS Course (S11) completes the training. It is highly recommended that course participants complete the online training prior to taking the IOLS course.

## When is the course being held?

The course is on Saturday, April 22, 2023 at 8:00 to Sunday, April 23 at 12:00 PM. We will be starting at 8:00 sharp so encourage you to arrive by 7:45 to sign in and be ready to go. You also have the option to arrive the Friday night before the course but will need to supply your own food for Friday night and Saturday morning.

## Where is the course being held?

The course is being held at Butte Creek Ranch. We will be doing as much of the training outside as is possible.

## What is the cost?

The cost of the course is \$35.

## Are meals included?

The course covers Saturday lunch, Saturday dinner, Saturday cracker barrel, Sunday breakfast and snacks. If you have special dietary allergies or menus such as vegetarian or vegan, please send a message to Tim Giorgi (contact info below) with that info before Wednesday, 4/20/23.

## Do I need to be a Scoutmaster or Assistant Scoutmaster to attend?

Not at all! This is also a great course to send new scout parents to help them understand the Scouts BSA program. It will also help you identify potential future leaders for your unit.

## How do I register?

Registering for the course can be done through the event calendar on the CPCBSA website

## What should I bring?

Note you will be sleeping overnight in your own tent on the Butte Creek Parade Grounds.

- Tent, sleeping bag, sleeping pad
- Scout Uniform (wear please!), sturdy shoes, change of clothes, sleeping attire
- Mess kit, water bottle, soap, washcloth, towel

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- Comfortable camp chair
- Notebook, pen or pencil
- Warm coat, cap, gloves, and raingear
- Scout BSA's Ten Essentials

## Additional Questions

For additional questions, please contact Tim Giorgi at 503-708-7745 or [tgiorgi@optsolutions.com](mailto:tgiorgi@optsolutions.com)