

Mackinac Island Honor Troop 168

Statement of Understanding

The Port Huron Mackinac Island Honor Troop 168 (“MIHT 168”) will be participating in the Mackinac Island Scout Service Camp (“Program”). The Program is operated under the direction of the Mackinac State Historic Parks, an agency within the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment. MIHT 168’s Adult Leadership consists of the Scoutmaster who is appointed by MIHT 168’s Committee Chair Person along with other Adult Leadership members appointed by MIHT 168’s Scoutmaster.

All Scouts are selected by the Adult Leadership to represent the State of Michigan, Mackinac Island State Park, and MIHT 168 based on their qualifications in character, scouting skills, physical and personal fitness, and leadership qualities. Therefore, all applicants and their parents/guardians are asked to read and sign this Statement of Understanding and Code of Conduct as a condition of membership in the MIHT 168. It is further understood that misconduct or infraction of any applicable rule or regulation may result in expulsion, at the Scout’s expense, from the Program and MIHT 168. The Adult Leadership expects each Scout to be responsible for his or her own behavior, and only when necessary, will a procedure be invoked to send a Scout home from the Program and MIHT 168.

You understand that you will be participating as a member of MIHT 168 and I understand that you are required to conduct myself in accordance with the principles set forth in the Scout Oath and Scout Law.

You certify that you have, now or will have by the first day of June prior to MIHT 168’s departure to Mackinac Island, attained the Boy Scout rank of First Class and have mastered all the qualifications as a First Class Scout as required by the rank requirements described in current United States edition of the Boy Scout Handbook.

You understand that you must submit evidence of fitness to attend the Program based on the latest edition of the official Boy Scouts of America health form signed by a licensed healthcare practitioner. You also certify that you will have obtained all required immunizations prior to MIHT 168’s date of departure to Mackinac Island.

You understand that MIHT 168 welcomes visitors including but not limited to moms, dads, guardians, brothers, sisters, grandparents, wives, and other relatives or friends and that all visitors are limited to 2 hours per day at the Scout Barracks while the Scout is off duty.

You understand that NO photographs or videos of any type shall be taken in any area where privacy is expected, including but not limited to, bathrooms, showers, changing areas, and sleeping areas. For the protection of the Scouts and the Adult Leadership of MIHT 168, NO photographs or videos shall be electronically transmitted or posted on any internet or social media website unless permission is first obtained from the Scoutmaster of MIHT 168.

You understand that activities of the Program may be covered by news media, filming, and/or broadcasting organizations. You and your Parent/Guardian hereby consent to the use of you voice and/or photograph in the news coverage, filming, or similar media projects approved by the Scoutmaster of MIHT 168 without compensation. You and your Parent/Guardian further agree to release and hold harmless the State of Michigan, Boy Scouts of America, Water and Woods Council, Blue Water District, Mackinac Island Honor Troop 168, and the Adult Leadership of Mackinac Island Honor Troop 168, from any and all claims and liability with regard to such use.

You and your Parent/Guardian release and waive any and all claims and causes of action against the State of Michigan, Boy Scouts of America, Water and Woods Council, Blue Water District, MIHT 168, including all officers, employees, members, agents, volunteers, Adult Leaders thereof, and other Scouts for any illness, injury, damage, loss, harm or death received or sustained by you, your child, your family members and other visitors, as the result or consequence of any negligence or any act committed by the State of Michigan, Boy Scouts of America, Water and Woods Council, Blue Water District, MIHT 168 and other Scouts.

Scout Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Date

Mackinac Island Honor Troop 168

Code of Conduct

You agree to participate in the Mackinac Island Scout Service Camp ("Program") and to perform your assigned duties to serve the State of Michigan, Mackinac Island State Park, MIHT 168, and all Mackinac Island residents and visitors.

You agree to conduct yourself in accordance with the principles set forth in the Scout Oath and Scout Law.

You agree to accept your obligation to preserve the duty, honor, and respect of MIHT 168.

You agree to perform your duties and responsibilities honorably and to the best of your ability.

You agree to perform your assignments as scheduled or directed and you agree to participate in all MIHT activities and Program, as required.

You agree that all of the following actions and activities will not be tolerated and may result in your immediate expulsion from MIHT 168: misbehavior; sexual misbehavior; insubordination; disrespect; physical violence; recklessness; hazing; bullying; theft or stealing; vandalism; verbal insults; verbal or written threats; gambling; use or possession of drugs; alcohol, tobacco or vaping devices; use of cell phones, smart phones; or any device that can connect to the internet.

You agree to respect the property of MIHT 168, its members, Adult Leaders, the State of Michigan, and that of the Program.

You agree to be personally responsible for any loss, breakage, or vandalism of property resulting from your direct or indirect actions.

You agree that possession or use of lasers, fireworks, firearms or any other device or material that can be used as a weapon is absolutely prohibited.

You agree that knives are allowed in your possession only when used in conjunction with food preparation, a merit badge, or during an approved outdoor activity and when you possess a valid tot'n chit.

You are responsible for your behavior, conduct, appearance, hygiene, and performance of your duty throughout the week, whether in uniform or not. You are responsible for your uniform, clothing, and personal gear.

You agree to wear the official Boy Scout Class A uniform and its authorized variations for Mackinac Island service as determined by the Scoutmaster or the Senior Patrol Leader of MIHT 168.

You agree to adhere to the Mackinac Island State Park's recycling and refuse sorting policies and regulations. You agree to do your share to prevent littering and keep Mackinac Island litter free in the spirit of "Leave No Trace" of the Outdoor Code.

You agree not to use or adjust any kitchen appliances or utensils including but not limited to stoves, ovens, grills, fryers, microwaves, toasters, sinks, dishwashers, refrigerators, freezers, electric knives, and other equipment without direct supervision by the adult leadership of MIHT 168.

You agree that lights-out is at 10:00 p.m. and you agree to follow the MIHT 168's sleeping schedule. You agree that you will not depart from the Scout Barracks after lights-out except in an emergency or as authorized by the adult leadership of MIHT 168.

You agree that swimming or the use of horses, bicycles, skateboards, roller skates, in-line skates, or other wheeled devices shall not be permitted while on Mackinac Island. You understand that the use of bicycles on bike night is permitted at a nominal cost. You agree to wear a helmet at all times while riding a bike and agree to not ride your bike through downtown Mackinac Island.

You agree that violation of this Code of Conduct may result in expulsion from MIHT 168 and you shall be responsible for all expenses required to leave Mackinac Island and return home. You agree that all decisions regarding matters of expulsion are final.

Scout Signature

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Date

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