



# FOOTWEAR POLICY

Scouting involves a variety of activities that inherently have risks. These activities include, but are not limited to, games at Troop Meetings, hiking and camping in a variety of terrains, and those creepy crawly things in the outdoors. Assessing risk in order to reduce or remove it is at the heart of safe Scouting. Risk assessment is about identifying sensible measures to minimize the risks in Scouting activities.

The Leadership of Troop 46 has determined the need to mitigate the risk of foot and ankle injuries to Scouts and Adults by requiring shoes that have a closed toe and closed heel at all Scouting activities. Soft sole, open toed shoes such as sandals, flip flops, and aqua socks are only permitted at the waterfront or in the shower house. However, you must travel to the waterfront or to the shower house with shoes that have a closed toe and closed heel. At no time should a Scout or Adult be barefooted unless in their tent, shower, or water activity where foot wear is not required.

Passed by the Parents Committee on \_\_\_\_\_ July 18, 2019\_\_\_\_\_.