



ABUNDANT LIFE COMMUNITY CHURCH

REGISTRATION

Name _____ Birth Date _____ Grade _____

Address _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail Address _____

Parents or Guardian Name _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

In order to ensure the safety of all boys in our care, Royal Rangers requires that the Registration, Medical and Code of Conduct forms be filled out for each boy. The medical information will be held in strict confidence and will be made available to emergency medical personal only, should the need arise. (Medical Insurance and an up-to-date Tetanus Shot are not required to be in Royal Rangers. It is recommended that Tetanus Inoculation be kept up to date.) Medical and emergency contact information for each boy will be present at all Ranger functions. The Code of Conduct form establishes the behavior expected of each of the boys.

My child has my permission to participate in any sanctioned activity of Abundant Life Community Church, Port Murray, and Royal Rangers Outpost 150. Such activities would include field trips, campouts, athletic events, and any other normal Outpost activities. I also understand that, for the safety of my child, the Commanders reserve the right to restrict him from any activity that a Commander does not judge is within the physical capabilities of my child.

Parent or Guardian _____ Date _____

CODE OF CONDUCT

As a Royal Ranger and member of Outpost 150, NJ District Royal Rangers, guided by the Royal Rangers Code and Pledge, and under the conviction of the Holy Spirit, I agree to abide by the following:

1. I will be respectful to all those in authority over me and obey all instructions and safety precautions given by any Commander. I will participate in, (unless restricted by Parent or Guardian), and to the best of my ability, accomplish the tasks required for each bible lesson and skill taught. I will not be disruptive or interfere with any lesson or skill taught during regular meetings or events.
2. I will help when asked to assist in any set-up, take down, loading and unloading of equipment used in any meeting, event or outing. I will comply with any rules or regulations imposed by any entity providing a facility for an outing or event. I will not deface any place of meeting, event or outing. I will not intentionally harm any animal or vegetation while in a regular meeting, event or outing. I will not leave the immediate premises of any meeting, event or outing unless authorized to do so.
3. I will responsibly use any equipment or facility at my disposal at any meeting, event or outing. I will refrain from any unauthorized, damaging or dangerous use of any equipment or facility. I will report to any Commander any equipment that I may have inadvertently or accidentally damaged. (I understand that I will **not** be held accountable for wear out of, or accidental damage to, any equipment in my use, providing the damage was not intentional or done carelessly.)
4. I will not bring alcohol, tobacco, unauthorized drugs, or pictures or videos of anything inappropriate to any meeting, event or outing and will report any if seen. I will not use inappropriate or profane speech.
5. I will comply with the restrictions in the personal items list authorized for a meeting, event or outing. (See the approved list of authorized personal equipment).
6. I will refrain from any bullying, harassing, assaulting of any nature, or intimidation of any other boys or Commanders at any meeting, event or outing. If applicable, I understand that any assaults of any nature specifically outlawed by statute will be reported to the authorities.
7. In general, I will conduct myself in a manner that brings honor to me, my family and the Royal Rangers program.

_____ (Boy's Signature)

_____ (Parent's Signature)

By signing this document you agree to all of the terms, including disciplinary actions.

Disciplinary Actions:

Disciplinary action will be taken if any infraction of the Code of Conduct is committed. In all instances, the boy or boys involved will be given a chance to explain what happened in the event of extenuating circumstances. If these actions were justified, the infraction will be dismissed. *In general, our philosophy is to never give up on mentoring boys and trying to help them, unless they absolutely do not want to be part of Royal Rangers.*

Infractions are classified as:

1. Minor Infraction (Boys being boys, arguments between boys that does not include fighting, misuse of personal items or equipment, etc.)

This will be by far the most common instance. When an infraction occurs, the boy or boys involved will be spoken to and, if necessary, any objects being improperly used will be confiscated until the end of the meeting, event or outing. There will be no further ramifications and no record of the infraction will be kept.

2. Major Infraction (Deliberate disregard for rules, obstinate behavior, fighting with other boys, etc.)

First Instance

The boy will be spoken to, and the improper behavior discussed. A record will be kept of the occurrence.

Second Instance

The parents or guardians will be notified and told of the situation. A one meeting suspension may result if agreed upon by the Commanders and the parents or guardians.

Third Instance

Dismissal from Royal Ranger. This could be for a period of time so that help can be sought by the parents or guardians to deal with whatever issues are causing this bad behavior, or permanent, if needed. Re-entry into Royal Rangers will require Pastoral Approval and a written letter of apology from the offending boy.

3. Extremely Serious Infraction (Reckless or dangerous behavior, assaults that will require notification of the authorities).

Dismissal from Royal Rangers and, if applicable, notification of the authorities!! Infractions of a serious nature will require extensive intervention from parents or guardians. If at all advisable, returning to Royal Rangers will require any court ordered counselling or therapy, Pastoral approval and a written letter of apology from the offending boy. Any offended party has the right to appeal approval, meet with the Pastoral staff to convey any misgivings about the return of the offending individual, and try to work out a compromise. The courts and/or Pastoral Staff will be the final authority.

Authorized Personal Equipment List

The purpose of this list is to give specific guidelines for those items which may require special precautions for the safety of all boys, Commanders and parents that may be attending any meeting, event or outing. This list is ***not*** meant to restrict the usage of all other personal items which may be brought to any Ranger function. The boys are free to bring whatever personal items are needed for each meeting, event or outing. Items not on this list may be restricted at any time by any Commander if there is a safety concern.

| Items | Regular Meeting or Event | Powwow | FCF Events |
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| Folding Pocket Knife* | Allowed. | Allowed. | Allowed. |
| Sheath Knife and Tomahawks* | Not Allowed (unless needed for a specific merit. Blades must be sheathed at all times when not in use.) | Not Allowed. | Allowed. Period types only, (Blades must be sheathed at all times when not in use.) |
| Archery Bow** (See Note 4.) | Not Allowed (unless needed for the Archery Merit or special Archery outings). High Velocity hunting bows and Cross Bows not allowed.) | Not Allowed (The Powwow staff will provide all Archery equipment for Archery events.) | Allowed. Long bow only. |
| Air Rifles and BB guns** (See Note 4.) | Not Allowed (unless needed for the Air Rifle or BB gun Merits or special Air Rifle and BB gun shooting outings.) | Not Allowed (The Powwow staff will provide all BB gun equipment for BB gun events) | Not Allowed. |
| Small Bore Rifles** (See Note 4.) | Not Allowed (unless needed for Small Bore Rifle Merits or special Small Bore Rifle shooting outings.) | Not Allowed. | Not Allowed. |
| Shotguns** (See Note 4.) | Not Allowed (unless needed for Shot Gun Merits or special Shot Gun shooting outings.) | Not Allowed. | Not Allowed. |
| Black Powder Rifles** (See Note 4.) | Not Allowed (unless needed for the Black Powder Rifle Merits or special Black Powder Rifle | Not Allowed. | Allowed if the shooter has a valid Black Powder Shooting Card. |

Notes:

1. **Parents or Guardians must give permission before usage of Archery or Shooting equipment.** Parents or Guardians may, at their discretion, restrict their boy from any archery or shooting events that they deem inappropriate. Sufficient notice will be given before any archery or shooting event.
2. * Boy must have completed the **TOOL CRAFT MERIT** before using any pocketknives, hatchets or bow saws. All cutting at Powwows is only to be done in the **CUT and CHOP** area under the supervision of a Commander or designed adult.
3. ** Boy must have completed the **FIRE ARM SAFETY MERIT** before they are allowed to do any shooting with Air Rifles/BB Guns or Firearms. All BB guns and Air Rifles brought to any meeting or outing must be unloaded and must be checked by a Commander upon arrival. **Firearms of any type are not allowed at regular meetings or Powwows (unless brought by Commanders serving as firearm instructors) and can only be brought to designated shooting ranges by parents or guardians. Any firearms brought by Commanders to regular meetings for the purpose of instruction shall be unload and no live firearm ammunition is allowed at any regular meeting. (See the chart below for appropriate ages for shooting eligibility.)**
4. All Archery, BB gun, Air Rifle and Firearm shooting is done at specific ranges designed for that purpose and that comply with all NJ state laws. All of the shooting activities are done under the supervision of a Commander specifically trained to supervise each type of shooting. **There are no merits or events requiring the use of pistols or revolvers and these are expressly prohibited from all meetings, events or outings.**
5. Boys found using any of the listed items in an unsafe manner will have them confiscated and they will only be returned to a Parent or Guardian.
6. Cell phones are allowed, but must not be in use during regular meetings, unless their use is needed in an emergency.
7. Age groups allowed to use above items providing all required conditions are met and they have their Parent or Guardian's permission.

| Item | 3 rd – 5 th Graders | 6 th – 8 th Graders | 9 th – 12 th Graders |
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| Archery | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Air Rifle/BB gun | BB Gun only | Yes | Yes |
| Firearms | No | No | Yes |
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