

Troop 102/Crew 102 Driver and Vehicle Information

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It is essential that adequate, safe, and responsible transportation be used for all Scouting activities. Because most accidents occur within a short distance from home, safety precautions are necessary, even on short trips.

General guidelines are as follows:

- Seat belts are required for all occupants.
- All drivers must have a valid driver's license that has not been suspended or revoked for any reason. If the vehicle to be used is designed to carry more than 15 persons, including the driver (more than 10 persons, including the driver, in California), the driver must have a commercial driver's license (CDL).
- An adult leader (at least 21 years of age) must be in charge and accompany the group.
- The driver must be currently licensed and at least 18 years of age. Youth member exception: When traveling to and from an area, regional, or national Boy Scout activity or any Venturing event under the leadership of an adult (at least 21 years of age) tour leader, a youth member at least 16 years of age may be a driver, subject to the following conditions:
 - Six months' driving experience as a licensed driver (time on a learner's permit or equivalent is not to be counted)
 - No record of accidents or moving violations
 - Parental permission granted to the leader, driver, and riders
- Passenger cars or station wagons may be used for transporting passengers, but passengers should not ride on the rear deck of station wagons.
- Trucks may not be used for transporting passengers except in the cab.
- All driving, except short trips, should be done in daylight.
- Do not exceed the speed limit.
- Do not travel in convoy – During transportation to and from planned Scout outings: Meet for departure at a designated area, prearrange a schedule for periodic checkpoint stops as a group and plan a daily destination point. A common departure site and a daily destination point are a must. If you cannot provide two adults for each vehicle, the minimum required is one adult and two or more youth members—*never one on one*.
- Driving time is limited to a maximum of 10 hours and must be interrupted by frequent rest, food, and recreation stops. If there is only one driver, the driving time should be reduced and stops should be made more frequently.
- Don't drive drowsy. Stop for rest and stretch breaks as needed. Fatigue is a major cause of highway accident fatalities.
- All vehicles **MUST** be covered by a public liability and property damage liability policy. The amount of this coverage must meet or exceed the insurance requirement of the state in which the vehicle is licensed. (It is recommended, however, that coverage limits are at least \$50,000/\$100,000/\$50,000 or \$100,000 combined limit.) Any vehicle carrying 10 or more passengers is required to have limits of \$100,000/\$500,000/\$100,000 or \$500,000 combined single limit.

All Drivers **MUST** provide the following information before transporting any scouts or leaders (required for BSA insurance coverage and on tour permit):

Driver's Name: _____ Driver's License Number: _____ License State: _____

Vehicle – Year, Make & Model	Seatbelts Available	Public Liability Insurance Coverage			
		Insurance Company	Each Person	Each Accident	Property Damage

By signing below I agree to follow the guidelines outlined above and agree to update my vehicle and insurance information when it changes.

Signature of Driver: _____ Date: _____