

## **Boy Scouts of America -- Troop I Hopkinton, MA**

### **Policy**

#### **Scoutmaster Trip Expenses**

Date of Adoption: 10 May 2000

By Approval of: Troop Committee (at regular meeting of same date)

#### **Background**

The Troop recognizes that the Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmasters can be expected to participate in a high percentage of Troop trips. This policy is intended to reduce the otherwise disproportionate financial burden this places on these leaders – as compared to other adult leaders – and to recognize the commitment of the Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmasters.

Typically the Troop contributes some amount to the cost of each Troop sponsored trip. This amount is established for each trip by recommendation of the Trip Committee to the Troop Committee. Scouts and Leaders then pay the remainder.

This policy is directed at further reducing this remainder for registered and active Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmasters. The amount this policy reduces the remainder will be referred to as the Troop Scoutmaster Contribution.

#### **Policy**

Each year at a Spring Troop Committee meeting, the Committee will set the maximum per trip Troop Scoutmaster Contribution for the coming year. For each trip the Scoutmaster, and/or Assistant(s), attends during the following year, the Troop will contribute up to this amount.

If no action is taken at a subsequent Spring Troop Committee meeting to set the maximum Troop Scoutmaster Contribution for the coming year, it shall automatically become zero. Similarly, the Troop Committee may vote at any Troop Committee meeting to change the amount of the maximum Troop Scoutmaster Contribution with consideration for the Troop's financial well being.

#### **Intent**

It is the intent of this policy to cover these Leaders expenses in-full except for the more expensive trips.