



Parental Authorization Form

Compliance with Massachusetts State Law Regarding Authorized Use of Firearms by a Minor

The Mayflower Council adheres to all applicable laws and operates under the governance of Boy Scouts of America (BSA) national standards as well as the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Public Health regulatory standards for recreational camps for children. As a part of the BSA program the council operates several safe shooting sports ranges for Scouts/campers to participate in rifle shooting, shotgun, and archery. In order to satisfy Mass General Law Chapter 140 section 130 1/2 the council requires parental permission to participate in such activities. Mass General Law Chapter 140, Section 130 1/2 stipulates the following:

Lawfully furnishing weapons to minors for hunting, recreation, instruction and participation in shooting sports.

Notwithstanding section 130 or any general or special law to the contrary, it shall be lawful to furnish a weapon to a minor for hunting, recreation, instruction and participation in shooting sports while under the supervision of a holder of a valid firearm identification card or license to carry appropriate for the weapon in use; provided, however, that the parent or guardian of the minor granted consent for such activities.

Photo Release Statement

I hereby assign and grant to the Mayflower Council the right and permission to use and publish the photographs/film/video tapes/electronic representations and/or sound recordings made during my child's visit to Mayflower BSA camps and/or events, and I hereby release the Mayflower Council, Boy Scouts of America from any and all liability from such use and publication. I hereby authorize the reproduction, sale, copyright, exhibit, broadcast, electronic storage and/or distribution of said photographs/film/video tapes/electronic representations and/or sound recordings without limitation at the discretion of the Mayflower Council and I specifically waive any right to any compensation I may have for any of the foregoing.

Use of Hand Sanitizer

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH) requires written permission for child use of hand sanitizer. Hand sanitizer can be utilized when a sink for hand washing with soap and water is not available. MDPH encourages the use of hand sanitizer with alcohol content of 60% or higher for children upon arrival to the entrance of the camp. Children will also be encouraged to wash their hands upon arrival to each program area throughout the day. Hand sanitizer is always kept out of the reach of children. Children will be monitored closely with its use to make sure they rub their hands completely dry, so they do not get sanitizer in their eyes or mouth. Please indicate below if you give permission for your child to use hand sanitizer under camp/event staff supervision at Mayflower Council camps

- I hereby authorize my child to participate in all events during summer/base camp including (if age appropriate) use of the shooting sports program areas (for rifle and shotgun under supervision of a FID or LTC instructor).
- I agree to the Photo Release Statement outlined above.
- I give permission for my child to use hand sanitizer at Mayflower Council camps.

Scout/Camper's Name _____

Unit Number _____ Town _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

This form is required for every camper and must be turned in along with the camp medical form.