

# CANDIDATE



# INSTRUCTIONS



**Achewon Nimat Lodge  
Order of the Arrow**

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Dear Candidate:

Congratulations! You have now completed the second step of your induction in to the Order of the Arrow. Your first step was your election, your second step was your call out. Now for your third step, you need to select a date to undertake the Ordeal.

**From the date of your election, you have one (1) year to complete the Ordeal.**

As you ponder this third step, you should consider the purpose of the Order, keeping in mind that your fellow Scouts in your unit elected you, not the members of the Order. The purpose of the Order of the Arrow is fourfold: 1) to recognize those Scout campers who best exemplify the Scout Oath and Law in their daily lives; 2) to develop and maintain camping traditions and spirit; 3) to promote Scout camping; and 4) to crystallize the scout habit of helpfulness into a life purpose of leadership in cheerful service to others.

The Ordeal is a time where you will be called upon to reflect on your time as a Scout. Upon your satisfactory completion of the Ordeal, you will be honored at a ceremony, and receive your sash. Have no fear, the Ordeal is not an initiation, nor is any hazing involved, or tolerated. The purpose of the Ordeal is to give you time for reflection and introspection.

Plan the date of your attendance at the Ordeal with care, as you will have to be reelected if you fail to complete the Ordeal within the one-year period from your election. Please remember, all Ordeals begin Friday evening, and end on Sunday morning before lunch. **Please carefully read and follow the attached instructions.**

Using the attached Reservation Form; select the Ordeal you wish to attend and then complete the form, providing all the requested information. Also, please complete the SFBAC Annual BSA Health and Medical Record (parts A, B, and C, ensure parts B & C are signed and dated). Send these forms and the registration fees to the Council office, at the address above, as soon as possible, but not later than 1 week prior to the Ordeal you plan on attending. IF you have any questions, you may call the adviser of the Village that serves your District.

We look forward to welcoming you in to our Lodge and hope to see you at our next Ordeal.

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Since 1965, the Arrowmen of Achewon Nimat lodge has been honored to provide service to the youth of the San Francisco Bay Area Council.

- We help prepare the council camps for the annual camping season
- We provide resources for camp improvement projects
- We present the annual Winter Camp Awareness Seminar that helps over 300 youth to be better prepared for winter camping
- We host the annual Klondike Derby that attracts over 400 participants
- We host the annual Pumpkin Fest Camporee that attracts over 500 participants

For more information, please contact our Lodge Chief through the Camping Department of the San Francisco Bay Area Council, or one of the Advisers listed below:

SFBAC Council	Lodge Adviser	Charles Hoffman	(510) 655-2529
Golden Gate	Royaneh Village	Elizabeth Boileau	(415) 826-6359
Mission Peak	Ohlone Village	Kari Costa	(510) 402-4297
Peralta	Tulpe Village	Jack Wynton	(510) 638-9042
Tres Ranchos	Amangi Village	Phil Abreu, Jr.	(510) 368-0056
Twin Valley	Suenen Village	Liz & Scott Brandon	(925) 449-8378

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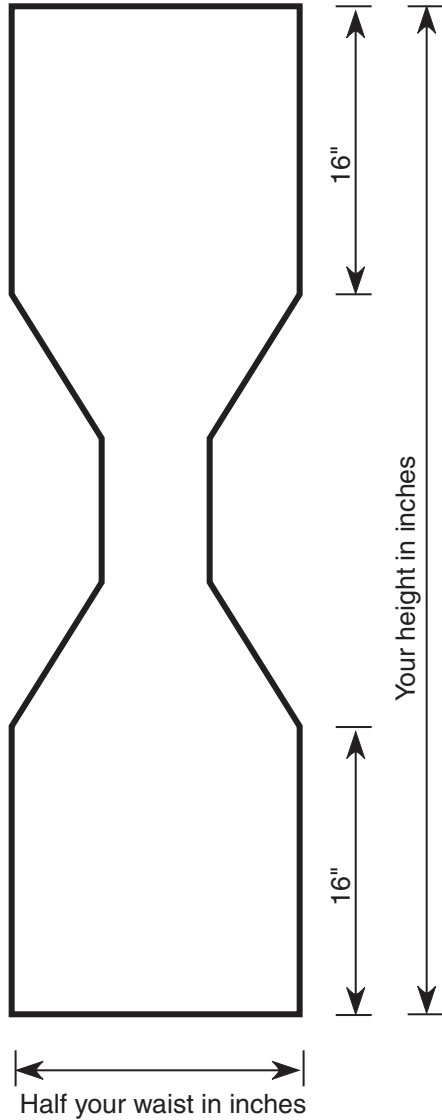
PLEASE READ AND FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY!

1. Eat dinner before arriving at the Ordeal on Friday night.
2. Plan on arriving at camp no later than 10:00 p.m. on Friday night for Ordeals held at Camp Royaneh or Ranch Los Mochos, or by 11:00 p.m. for Ordeals held at Wente Scout Reservation. You must provide your own transportation to and from the Ordeal. Contact other Arrowmen in your unit, or Village to get a ride. The Ordeal will finish about 10:30 a.m. on Sunday morning.
3. You will need to bring the following items:
  - a. Wear your *full* Scout uniform and comfortable hiking boots.
  - b. Bring your current Boy Scout ID card with you to the Ordeal.
  - c. If you did not send the required documents; Ordeal Reservation Form, SFBAC Annual BSA Health and Medical Record (parts A, B, and C, ensure parts B & C are signed and dated), and Ordeal fee to the Council office, bring these items with you.
  - d. Ground cloth, sleeping bag, pocket knife, eating and personal cooking utensils (knife, fork, spoon, cup, and a small frying pan), toilet articles, towel, and one change of work clothes. **BRING WORK GLOVES!** All items should be packed for hiking.
  - e. Carry a sweater or jacket and bring rain gear.
  - f. All candidates *must* have and wear a breechcloth or apron set at the Ordeal. See the attached instructions for make these.
  - g. A lightweight tent is optional.
  - h. **DO NOT** pack or bring any food or snacks! They will be removed from you.

Remember, use of the Council camps is a privilege extended to member of the Order of the Arrow. Please leave camp better than you found it. Complete all of the required forms, pay the fees, and submit them to the Council office as soon as possible, but not later than one (1) week prior to the Ordeal you plan on attending.

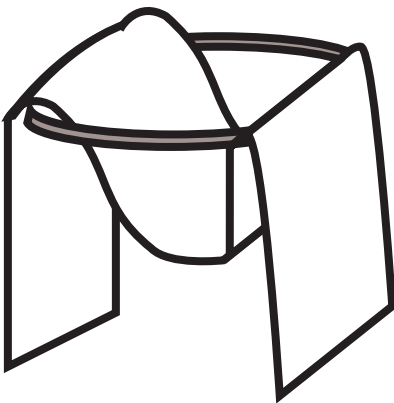
We look forward to having you in our Lodge. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call your Village Adviser.

Breech Cloth Pattern  
Make 1

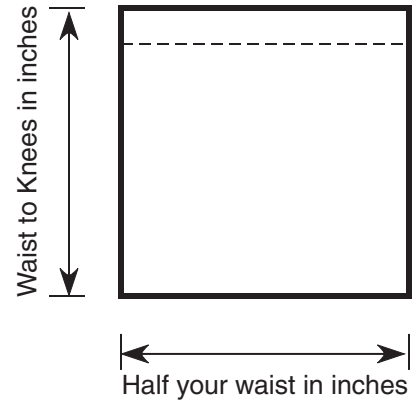


The narrow center portion is about 6" wide.

The breech cloth is worn suspended from a shoe lace, tong or narrow belt, tied around the waist, but not on the trouser belt.

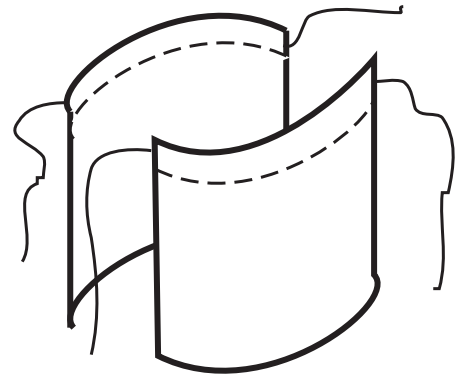


Apron Pattern  
Make 2



Make each apron 3" longer than the waist to knee length. Fold this over at the top of the apron to form a sleeve. Insert a shoe lace, tong or narrow belt, 44" or more in length, through this sleeve.

Tie the aprons around the waist to hang over the front and back of the wearer's trousers.



Make the Apron or breech cloth from cotton flannel or denim. You should stitch a seam on the ends and sides so leave an inch or so extra to all dimensions.

A white, red or blue bias binding tape can be used on the sides if desired, this should extend about two inches below the bottom of the cloth or apron.

A traditional design can be applied to the front and back, or simply decorate with one inch stripes of contrasting solid colors near the bottom of the apron or cloth hanging ends.