



**IN SCOUTING, WE DO NOT COMPROMISE THE SAFETY OF OUR YOUTH, VOLUNTEERS, AND EMPLOYEES. SAFETY IS A VALUE THAT MUST BE TAUGHT AND REINFORCED AT EVERY OPPORTUNITY. WE ARE ALL RESPONSIBLE AND MUST HOLD EACH OTHER ACCOUNTABLE TO PROVIDE A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS.**

To help promote a safe environment, the Middle Tennessee Council needs you to become a **MESSENGER OF SAFETY**.

We need you to help to create a culture of safety awareness at all levels of Scouting. **WHY IS THIS SO IMPORTANT?**

**REDUCES ACCIDENTS.** Safety awareness helps everyone identify and respond to potential hazards.

**MAKES FOR GREAT ADVENTURES.** Everyone has more fun when they feel safe and are safe.

**IT'S A REQUIREMENT.** Safety isn't just the smart thing to do, Scouting America requires us to provide a safe program for all.

**REPORTING IS KEY.** We need to know when there is a safety incident or YPT concern - it helps keep youth safe and improves the program.

**SAFETY HAS ALWAYS BEEN OUR FOCUS.** Since 1927, Scouts have been earning the Safety merit badge...Today, Scouting has many badges to promote safety among Scouts.

**CAUTION**

To become a Messenger of Safety, see the requirements on the reverse or visit [www.mtcscouting.org/messengerofsafety](http://www.mtcscouting.org/messengerofsafety)

By earning the patch and knot, you will demonstrate your commitment to safety and the promotion of safe Scouting throughout the Middle Tennessee Council.

Questions? Please contact Vance Lackey at [vance.lackey@scouting.org](mailto:vance.lackey@scouting.org).

# MESSENGER OF SAFETY RECOGNITIONS

## REQUIREMENTS TO EARN THE MESSENGER OF SAFETY PATCH

### Actions Required:

- Scouting Safely v2
- Take Riskconnect Training
- Complete Program Safely courses\*
- Teach a "Safety Moment" at a Scout or unit event \*\*
- Become a Merit Badge Counselor of a Safety Merit Badge#
- Recruit another person to become a Messenger of Safety



## REQUIREMENTS TO EARN THE MESSENGER OF SAFETY KNOT

### Actions Required:

- Earn the Messenger of Safety Patch
- Teach Riskconnect Training
- Complete Short Term NCAP Training
- Assess 2 Activities/Camps/Events
- Complete or be current in CPR/AED Training
- Attend 3 District or Council Safety Committee Meetings
- Teach a "Safety Moment" at a district or council event
- Recruit 2 additional people to become a Messenger of Safety



### COMPLETE 2 OF THE FOLLOWING:

- Teach a Safety related Merit Badge# or an Adventure### to 2 or more Scouts
- Staff a booth or give a presentation promoting safety at a district/council or community event
- Submit an article/video promoting safety to a unit, district, council, or community social media page

\* (Climb on Safely, Safety Afloat, Safe Swim Defense, Hazardous Weather Training, Drive Safely, Range Activities Safety)

\*\* "Safety Moment" selected from the Scouting America website [www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/safety-moments/](http://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/safety-moments/)

# Emergency Preparedness, Fire Safety, First Aid, Lifesaving, Safety, Traffic Safety

### AOL pin - Knife Safety, Webelos pin - First Aid, Bear - Standing Tall, Wolf - Safety in Numbers, Tiger - Tiger 's Roar, Lion - Lion's Roar

For more information visit the [www.mtcscouting.org/messengerofsafety](http://www.mtcscouting.org/messengerofsafety). (the webpage is continually being updated). Official rollout was 1/1/25.

A link is provided on the MOS webpage to verify completion of the requirements.

*Current as of 1/1/25 - Requirements may change*