## About OSG's 37th Loudoun Red Foxes

## Who are we?

Outdoor Service Guides (OSG) was founded upon the original aims and methods of scouting. All adults and youth - regardless of age, gender, class, or other variables - who live in the US are welcome to join us. We are outdoor focused and believe in inclusion, volunteerism, self-reliance, independence, confidence, leading by uplifting others, and service to the community. The 37th Loudoun Red Foxes is OSG's troop serving Loudoun County, VA and nearby areas.

## How is the troop divided?

<u>Chipmunks 2-4yrs</u>: Chipmunks are intended for younger siblings who are coming to meetings and would like to be included in the fun.

Otters 5-7yrs: Otters go on adventures, learn useful outdoor and family skills, and participate in age-appropriate service to the community. They are crafting with their hands, working as a group, and camping together with their families. Badge work level is easy and parents are expected to help.

<u>Timberwolves 8-10yrs</u>: The Timberwolf program is focused on hands-on outdoor skills, meaningful community service, and the strengthening of the Pack. The Pack will learn the laws we live by and the power of community. Badge work level is intermediate and parents are expected to help as needed.

Pathfinders 11-17yrs: The Pathfinder program is designed to empower and embolden our scouts, encouraging them to plan and implement their own projects, adventures, service, and skills. Adult leaders do not plan these meetings; they are merely offering supervision, transport, and making connections in the community when needed. Pathfinders have a chaperoned annual backpacking trip apart from the rest of the troop. Badge work level is advanced.

Rovers 18+yrs: Rovers are the senior branch of OSG scouting. The Rover motto is simply "Service," and it is put into practice both in the group and the community. This program is a great way for parents to get involved in scouting. Our Rovers are the volunteer leaders of our scout troop and we are always looking for new adults to help out and join the fun!

## What do we do in our meetups?

- Fall and Spring Camping trips for scouts and families
- Hiking meetups
- Outdoor activities (eg. fishing, star gazing, orienteering, bird watching, etc.)
- Service projects (eg. park clean up, etc.)
- Field trips (eg. fire station, police station, etc)
- Regional Field Day, when available (Area troops come together)
- Pathfinder-only campout
- Scouts will mostly work on completing badges at home with parental assistance, as it is not the main focus during meetups

#### Where/when do we meet?

Please check our current Scouting Calendar for tentative dates. Some dates may be added. We meet outdoors, drizzle or shine, across Northern VA at hiking spots and other outdoor venues. Few events during winter will occur indoors. We may cancel a meetup due to extreme weather.

## How are parents involved?

Badge work is mostly completed at home and parents are expected to assist. Chipmunk and Otter parents must accompany child camping, and all other families are encouraged to camp.

Our group is solely run by volunteers. In order to provide the highest level of scouting programming, we must limit the number of youth scouts based on the number of scout leaders and volunteers, so please consider signing up.

#### **Fees**

- The 2025-26 dues (for membership, camping and supplies) are \$120 Chipmunk, Otter, and Timberwolf, \$140 Pathfinder, \$30 each sibling and Rover volunteers...
- Handbooks are on our website and can be downloaded or printed.
- For new members, there is an additional uniform fee of \$45 Chipmunk, Otter, and Timberwolf and \$68 Pathfinder and Rover (includes uniform, necker, woggle and starter badges).
- Pay-if-you-go events will vary in price (example: Kayaking, Ziplining)

## Ready to join?

- 1. Fill out Registration Form, take pictures and email to 37redfoxes@gmail.com
- 2. Pay Fees (choose one):
  - a. Mail a check payable to: *37th Loudoun Red Foxes* 308 Ashton Drive SW, Leesburg, VA 20175
  - b. Send payment through Paypal (please add additional \$6 fee) to <a href="mailto:37redfoxes@gmail.com">37redfoxes@gmail.com</a>

\*\*Forms and registration fees due by Monday, 10/6 to attend 1st Fall Campout\*\*

## How do we stay in touch?

Email for all communication
Phone texts during events and campouts
Evite for invitation and RSVPs
Members-only Facebook Page, OSG 37th Loudoun Red Foxes
Skype for virtual meetings
Google Calendar sharing for staying up-to-date

**How to reach us?** Email: 37redfoxes@gmail.com Check out our website: www.37redfoxes.com



**OutdoorServiceGuides.org** 

# OSG's 37th Loudoun Red Foxes Registration Form 2025-26

## **Family Information**

Scout's Full Name:	
Scout's Age:	Shirt Size (Youth/Adult size) Date of Birth:
Parent or Guardian	1. Name:
Cell No:	Email:
Parent or Guardian	2. Name:
Cell No:	Email:
Full Home Address:	
Emergency cont	tact
in the event that the parents listed above	act information for a family member or close friend that can be an emergency contact parents/guardians listed above are not reachable. This person cannot be one of the . This person will only be contacted if the parents listed above do not respond and the gency medical care or it is over 30 minutes past the expected end of the meetup.
Name:	Relationship:
Cell Number:	
<b>Requested Scou</b>	t Section
If you feel your chil	d is best suited for a particular group, we are flexible.
Chipmunk 2-4yı	rsOtter 5-7yrsTimberwolf 8-10yrsPathfinder 11-17yrsRover 18+yrs
Dietary and Hea	alth Needs
Immunizations Up	-to-date?YesNo Date of Last Tetanus://
	e any food or contact allergies? We do provide food at camping trips and strive to shave food that is safe for them to eat.
accommodations yo have bee sting allerg confidential. Please	e any medical considerations? Please list any non-dietary special needs or ur scout has that the scout leaders should be aware of. For instance, does your scout gies, seizures, etc? Is your scout taking any medications? This information will be kept note that over-the-counter topical creams may be applied, as needed, should a first aid topical creams include neosporin, burn cream, and anti-itch cream.

Any additional information you wish to make us aware of or any questions or concerns?
Agreements, Waivers and Medical Release
Please review and sign to indicate your acceptance.
General Terms and Conditions: For purposes of this agreement (also referred to as Contract), the following applies throughout the document in consideration of the use of property, facilities, programs and/or services of the parties covered in this agreement. The parties covered by this contract applies to the releases, indemnifications and liability waivers in this contract. To the degree any provision in this contract is unenforceable for any reason, all other contract provisions shall remain in effect. The parties covered by this agreement include the below stated companies, programs and organizations as well as ALL PERSONS involved with these entities including, but not limited to, all other participants, volunteers, employees, leaders, officers and agents. The parties covered by this agreement (also referred to as Releasees) include: Outdoor Service Guides (OSG), formerly the Baden-Powell Service Association of the US (BPSA-US), and the OSG Scout Group 37th Loudoun Red Foxes. This contract is legally binding. The undersigned agrees as follows:
Medical Release: I (we) the undersigned parent, parents, or legal guardian(s) of, a minor, do hereby request that (s)he be permitted to participate in the aforementioned Releasees programs and should the need arise, do hereby authorize and consent to an x-ray examination, anesthetic, medical or surgical diagnosis rendered under general or special supervision of any member of the medical staff and emergency room staff licensed under the provisions of the Medicine Practice Act or a dentist licensed under the provisions of the Dental Practice Act and on the staff of any general hospital holding a current license to operate a hospital. It is understood that this authorization is given in advance of any specific diagnosis, treatment of hospital care being required but is given to provide authority and power to render care which the aforementioned physician in the exercise of his/her best judgment may deem advisable. It is understood that effort shall be made to contact the undersigned prior to rendering treatment to the patient, but that any of the above mentioned treatments will not be withheld if the undersigned cannot be reached. I will not hold liable the parties covered by this agreement for medical aid rendered and will reimburse any person or organization for medical expenses incurred in the care of my son/daughter.
Liability Waiver: I (we) the undersigned parent, parents or legal guardian(s) of, a minor, do hereby consent to the aforementioned minor's
participation in the activities sponsored by or associated with the parties covered by the agreement. I UNDERSTAND THAT SUCH PARTICIPATION CAN INCLUDE HAZARDOUS ACTIVITIES WHICH MAY EXPOSE HIM/HER TO CERTAIN RISKS OF INJURY SUCH AS LACERATIONS, PULLS AND STRAINS, FRACTURES, CONCUSSIONS, LOSS OF LIMB, DROWNING OR EVEN DEATH. I AM FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY ALLOWING MY SON/DAUGHTER TO PARTICIPATE IN THESE ACTIVITIES WITH THE KNOWLEDGE OF THE DANGER INVOLVED AND HEREBY AGREE TO ASSUME AND ACCEPT ANY AND ALL RISKS OF INJURY AND DEATH. In consideration of this consent to participate in said programs and activities, I hereby agree, on behalf of said minor and his/her assigns and heirs, to release, defend and hold harmless the parties to this agreement from and against any and all actions, claims, damages (including attorney's fees) of liability arising or resulting from his/her participation in the activities sponsored by the parties covered by this agreement including without limitation, damage to or destruction of any property or injury or death to any

person. I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THE SAFETY RULES, MEDICAL RELEASE AND THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS AND FULLY UNDERSTAND THEIR CONTENT. I AM AWARE THAT

THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE RELEASEES AND MYSELF AND SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREEWILL ON BEHALF OF SAID MINOR.

**Financial Agreement:** I agree that I will pay for my scout's participation dues in a timely manner at the start of each scouting season. **Please include your scout's dues along with this form.** I understand that it is my responsibility to make sure my scout's dues are paid on time or to make other arrangements with the scout leaders. If financial aid is needed, please let a scout leader know. Dues can be paid by checks made out to *37th Loudoun Red Foxes* or Paypal (add \$6 fee) to <u>37redfoxes@gmail.com</u>.

**Health and Safety Terms:** Meeting in person may still pose a risk of contracting COVID-19. If meeting in person, I understand that there are risks of contracting or transmitting disease and that Outdoor Service Guides (OSG), formerly the Baden-Powell Service Association of the US (BPSA-US), and the OSG Scout Group 37th Loudoun Red Foxes are not able to predict or prevent transmission. I understand that it is my decision whether my child will attend events. I understand that there may be times when scouts may be required to wear masks and social distance. My scout and I agree to participate appropriately or quietly step back from the activity if we cannot meet such a request.

If my scout develops symptoms or has a positive Covid test within 14 days of participating in a scout event, I will inform my scout's section leader. The leaders will let the other members of the troop know about the risk of exposure and encourage others to be tested.

**Photography Waiver:** Outdoor Service Guides (OSG), formerly the Baden-Powell Service Association of the US (BPSA-US), and the OSG Scout Group 37th Loudoun Red Foxes reserve the right to photograph participants for publicity purposes. You may request that your child not be included in public-facing photography if you wish.

**How Your Contact Information is Used:** We will use your email address to stay in touch through emails, Evite for rsvp to events, and Zoom for virtual meetings. You may wish to join our private Facebook page *OSG 37th Loudoun Red Foxes* for updates, recaps, events, pictures and polls. We will use your phone number for on-time texting at meetups and campouts through the GroupMe app. This app keeps all members' phone numbers invisible to other guests. Please download this app for on-time alerts. For any concerns, speak to your scout's section leader.

**Meetups Safety Rules**: The following outlines important adult safety rules that everyone in our troop must follow for the safety of everyone. In the following, the term "meetups" refers to any and all events affiliated with the OSG Scout Group 37th Loudoun Red Foxes:

- 1. No cursing or sexual references or disrespectful or aggressive behavior at any meetups.
- 2. No firearms or explosives at any meetups.
- 3. No illicit drugs at any meetups.
- 4. No alcohol at any meetups.
- 5. If a dog is in attendance at a meetup, they must remain on a leash at all times.
- 6. No adult, with or without an OSG background check, is permitted to be ALONE with any scout unless it is their own child at meetups.
- 7. Children younger than pathfinder age are not permitted to handle knives or fire starting materials without a leader present at meetups.
- 8. On meetups with fire pits, all adults must act responsibly around the fire. Parents are responsible for ensuring their own children's safety near the fire.