

### **Bahamas Sailing Trip 2009 Cancellation Policy:**

- Due to the cost of this event, once a deposit is made the participant is responsible for the entire payment, estimated to be \$900. Payment schedule: \$200 due by end of January, \$200 by end of February, \$200 by end of March, remainder due by end of April. (Previous payments made by Chesapeake participants will be credited to these.)
- If a participant drops out and can find a replacement for his/her slot, then the replacement can pay the participant for the amount already paid. Replacements must be approved by the Sailing Planning Committee.
- A participant who drops out and cannot find a replacement is responsible for the entire payment unless a refund can be obtained without increasing the cost to other members of the contingent.
- If a participant who drops out and is unable to get a replacement desires to appeal this refund policy, it may be appealed to the Troop Committee. The Troop Committee may vote to allow a person to drop out of the group and receive a full or partial refund, but the Troop Committee will have to fund any refund out of Troop funds and not the Sailing Trip funds.

### **SAILING 2009 PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT: Sign & Turn In**

As an intended participant or parent of an intended participant in the Troop 149 Sailing trip scheduled for May 30-June 6, 2009, I hereby agree as follows:

\* I understand and agree to meet all policies and requirements for participation. For youth members, this includes completing First Class Rank or above and having the Swimming Merit Badge and completing Snorkeling BSA training (opportunities will be provided for these trainings). If I am an adult participant, I understand that I must have gone through the Troop 149 orientation training, and that I must obtain Youth Protection Training and Safety Afloat/Safe Swim Defense Training as well as Snorkeling BSA in order to participate in the Sailing trip. All participants will also be required to provide a valid Class 3 Physical. All participants will need to confirm entry/exit document requirements; we recommend everyone have a valid passport for travel to the Bahamas.

\* I understand that this is a Troop trip, not family camping, and agree to follow all Troop, council and BSA policies and procedures. I understand that both youth and adult members will be expected to follow the Scout Oath and Law at all times on this trip. I understand that use of tobacco and alcohol will not be permitted on this trip.

\* I understand and agree that, due to the significant financial cost of this activity, each participant must support his/her share of this cost. Therefore, I understand and agree that by making the first payment and signing this agreement, I fully commit to paying the entire predetermined cost of \$900 per person by the monthly payment schedule.

\* I understand that if I cannot participate after signing the agreement, but can find a

replacement that is acceptable to the Troop 149 Sailing Trip Committee, I will not be held responsible for the payment. I also understand that if I cannot participate after signing the agreement, and feel that I have special circumstances, the payment policy can be appealed before the Troop Committee of Troop 149. I agree to comply with their decision.

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Signature

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Date