

392nd Thornhill Muslim Scouts Group

Parent/Participant Handbook

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Salaam alaykum and welcome to the 392nd Thornhill Muslim Scouts.

Below you will find a collection of valuable information, which will help you in understanding the next steps after registration of yourself or your youth(s) with the 392nd Thornhill Muslim Scouts.

1. Registration

Registration is all completed online via the Scouts Canada (scouts.ca) website.

If you have any issues or require assistance with the registration process, please contact the Group Administrator at 392scouts@gmail.com and we will do our best to assist you.

If you're having account issues or need troubleshooting with the website, please submit a ticket via the Scouts Canada Online Support Centre.

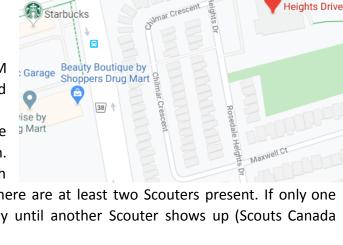
Weekly Meetings 2.

Our weekly Group Meeting (all 4 sections) takes place at the Rosedale Heights Public School on Friday evenings, from 7:30PM -9:00PM.

Rosedale Heights Public School is located at 300 Rosedale Heights Dr, Thornhill, ON

Important Notes:

- 1. Drop off is between 7:20PM 7:30PM pick up at 9:00PM sharp.
- 2. DO NOT drop off your children at the



Rosedale Heights Plaza

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(doors will be closed by 7:35PM) and curb or by the door of the location. You have to go inside the school with your children and make sure that there are at least two Scouters present. If only one Scouter is present, you have to stay until another Scouter shows up (Scouts Canada policy).

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- 3. If only one Scouter is present, the parent/guardian has to stay until another Scouter shows up (Scouts Canada 2-Scouter policy).
- 4. Please pick up your children promptly so as to respect the volunteers time. We will not let your children leave the building unless we see you or someone designated to pick them up.
- 5. Most weekly section meetings will occur at the location listed above. When meetings and events are held at other locations, we will inform you via the various announcement mediums.
- 6. Certain weeks may have special instructions for your youth(s) section, this will be included in the email sent to you each week.
- 7. Parents are responsible for transporting and/or arranging for transport of their youth to and from Scouting activities (unless otherwise arranged by the Group for certain events).
- 8. A pair of non-marking indoor shoes is required. Youth must change to their indoor shoes during wet or snowy days and leave their boots outside the door of the hall/gym.
- 9. Mask use is no longer mandatory, but still recommended Stay informed with the latest Scouts Canada updates

3. Uniform Requirements

Youth and Leaders are all <u>required to be in uniform for weekly meetings</u> and other formal events (e.g. opening at camp).

This includes the <u>Scouts Canada prescribed shirts</u> (http://wiki.scouts.ca/en/Uniform) and a <u>full Islamic dress code</u> for both the boys and girls who are Baligh - please speak with your Section Leaders if you have any questions or concerns.

Details on what is required versus optional for each section can be found in the table below. You can purchase the uniform via the Scouts Shop online at www.scoutshop.ca.

The Group will provide a neck scarf ("necker"), a woggle, and all the badges required on the uniform. Please note that any lost items will need to be replaced for a cost. Placement of badges on uniform can be found further below in this document.

Section	Required Uniform	Not required (optional)	
Everyone	Group provided necker & woggle		
Beaver Scouts	Beaver Vest	Beaver Scout T-shirtBeaver Hat	
Cub	Cub long sleeve grey shirt	Cub grey Tech T-shirt	



Scouts	Navy blue or black pants Cub grey ball cap		
Troop Scouts	 Scouts long sleeve green shirt (tucked in for boys only with a belt) Khaki or navy-blue pants 	Scouts green Tech T-shirtScouts green ball capScouts blue belt	
Venturers	 Venturer long sleeve navy blue shirt (tucked in for boys only with a belt) Khaki or black pants Venturers navy blue Tech T-s Scouts Canada brown belt 		

4. Scouters (Leaders) Contact

Position	Name	Email	Phone
Group Commissioner Samil Chagpar		chagpar.392scouts@gmail.com	(647) 229-9848
Group Administrator	Irfanali Gulamhusein	392scouts@gmail.com	
Group Fundraiser	Mazahir Somji	msomji@ecgold.net	
Webmaster/IT Support	Irfanali Gulamhusein	392scouts@gmail.com	(416) 268-6329
Colony Contact Scouter (Beavers 5 – 7)	Sabira Nanji (Hawkeye)	sabira.nanji@rogers.com	(416) 558-9742
Pack Contact Scouter(s) (Cubs 8 – 10)	Samil Chagpar	chagpar.392scouts@gmail.com	(647) 229-9848
Troop Contact Scouter (Scouts 11 – 14)	Irfanali Gulamhusein	Irfanali.Gulamhusein@gmail.com	(416) 268-6329
Company Contact Scouter (Venturer 15 - 17)	Rebecca Zaidi	rzaidi@bluemango.ca	(416) 824-9156

5. Camping Gear & Packing List

In the pages that follow you will find a packing list of items, as well as a brief guide to help you with making decisions regarding certain equipment (clothing type, sleeping bags, recommended stores, etc.).

Additionally, you will find a camp packing list that will come in handy when preparing to attend a weekend camp.



Scouts Tracker

Scouts Tracker is a website and mobile application that will help you to sign up to any scheduled events, as well as to track the various badges and achievements for your youth(s). We recommend that Beaver & Cub Scouts review the website with parental guidance, and Scouts should be encouraged to track and sign up for events via the site independently.

You will receive an email confirming your registration to the website and the link provided below will take you directly to the Group calendar of events, which you can reference at any time, without having to log in, for details of specific upcoming and past events.

Scouts Tracker Group Home Page

<u>Scouts Tracker – Beaver Colony</u>

Scouts Tracker - Cub Pack

Scouts Tracker - Troop Scouts

Scouts Tracker – Venturer Scouts

7. Joining as a Leader or Parent Committee

The Group functions with the support of volunteer Scouters, we are always looking for support either with front end program support, or background support (IT, Photography, Facebook, Media Management, Badge Sewing, Registration, Program & Event Support, etc.). If you're interested in registering as a Scouter (Leader), or on the parent committee, please contact us as 392scouts@gmail.com for more information.

8. Communication & Media

In order to ensure all Parents, Youths and Members of the 392nd Group receive timely information, you will be added to an email list for our weekly newsletter, as well as an announcement **WhatsApp** group. In addition, we have a **website**, a **Facebook** Page, **Instagram**, and a **YouTube** channel, where you can find media and information about the Group.

We encourage you to follow us there and react to our posts, as it helps with spreading the information about our group and recruiting potential Youth & Scouters.

- Website: www.392scouts.com
- WhatsApp Announcements Group: Contact Scouter Irfan or Samil to be added to Group

Facebook Page: https://www.facebook.com/392Scouts/

Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/392scouts/

YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCo69BRIwRjSZU1IEM4NgHkQ

9. Donations & Sponsors

The Group functions on donations and fundraising in order to provide the program to the Scouting Youth. If you are interested in supporting the Group on either a one-time or regular basis, with equipment, materials, food for events, or monetary donations, please contact the Group Fundraiser, Mazahir Somji at msomji@ecgold.net

As we are an official Scout Group under Scouts Canada (a registered charity) we are able to provide tax receipts for your donations.

If you would like to make a donation directly to the group and receive a tax receipt, please complete the "<u>Designated Donation</u>" form found on the <u>www.Scouts.ca</u> website.

You can find out more information about how to donate via our website's donation page.





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Fall & Winter Camping Gear & Safety Reference

Clothing - 3 Essential Layers

Layer	Purpose	Typical Materials	
Base (inner) Layer	Moisture Management, Keep Dry	Merino Wool, Polyester, Silk	
Mid Layer	Insulation, Retain Heat, Trapping Air	Merino Wool, Goose Down, Polyester Fleece	
Shell (outer) Layer	Weather Protection, Waterproof & Breathable	Gore-tex, eVent	

Sleeping Bag Styles & Materials

Bag Style	Pros	Cons	
Rectangular	More room for comfort Easy to toss and turn More feet room	Inefficient heat distribution Bigger in size overall	
Mummy Efficient and quick heat distribution (warmer) Smaller in size		Less room for feet Difficult to toss and turn Less roomy than Square type	

Material	Performance (Heat up time)	Size	Performance (when wet)	Price
Down	Quickest	Smallest	Worst	Expensive
Prima loft	Quick	Medium	Best	In Between
Synthetic	Normal	Large	Best	Cheapest

Winter Safety Tips

- ✓ Wear in layers
- ✓ Keep Dry
- ✓ Consume high calories food
- ✓ Double sleeping bag systems
- Clothing tuck in, zip up, hats or toque to prevent heat loss

ABSOLUTELY NO JEANS

AVOID 100% COTTON CLOTHING

NO METAL OR DISPOSABLE UTENSILS

Outdoor Gear Stores

- 1. Mountain Warehouse at Vaughn Mills Shopping Mall cheap gear and online store
- 2. Bass Pro Shop at Vaughn Mills Shopping Mall moderate price/good sales
- 3. Canadian Tire at various locations moderate price/check product reviews
- 4. Mountain Equipment Co-Op (MEC) at various locations higher price better quality brands
- 5. SAIL at various locations don't go here unless you own a bank





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Fall & Winter Camping Equipment Checklist

Personal Gear	Clothing
□ Backpack □ Drybag (recommended) □ Sleeping Bag (rating of 0° to -30°) o Troop Scouts should have either two bags with a rating of 0° or 1 bag if rated for up to -30° □ Sleeping Pad (required for sleeping in tents) □ Headlamp (+ extra batteries) □ Reusable Water Bottle (plastic) □ Personal Utensil Set (plastic – including fork/spoon/knife/cup/bowl/plate) □ Personal Medication □ Matches/Flint & Steel (optional for Cubs) □ First Aid Kit (optional for Cubs/Beavers) □ Inflatable Travel Pillow (optional) □ Flashlight (optional)	□ Waterproof Bag for Clothing □ Full Scout Uniform (for opening/closing only) □ x Underwear / Undergarments □ x Thermals / Long Johns □ x Socks (minimum of 3 pairs) □ x Shirts (bring an extra one) □ x Pants (bring an extra one) □ Winter Hat □ Sweater (Fleece) □ Fall / Winter Gloves □ Sunglasses (recommended) □ Hiking Boots (Winter Boots acceptable for Cubs and Beavers) □ Indoor Shoes / Sandals
Personal Hygiene	Additional / Miscellaneous Items
Personal Hand Sanitizer (mandatory) Mask(s) Toothbrush Toothpaste Soap (biodegradable if possible) Face Towel Lip Balm Comb (optional) Other:	

Ensure you adjust gear based on season and weather conditions (winter jacket vs. rain jacket)

NOTE: No electronic phone/gaming device is allowed during camp unless it's an emergency!

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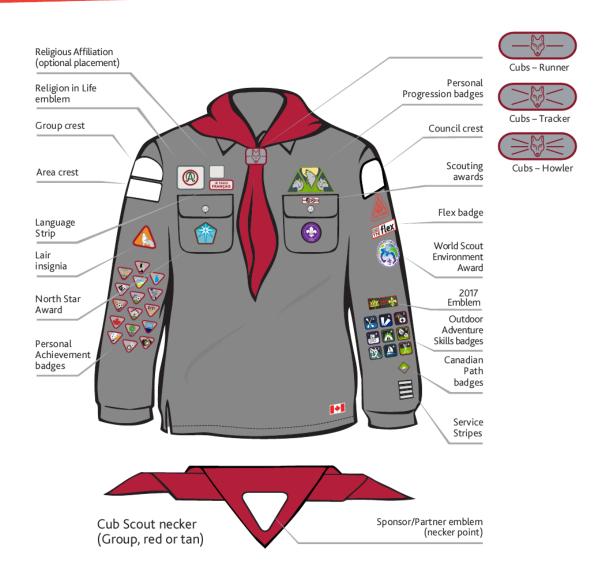


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