

Minimum Standards

S.S.S. Columbia Ranger

1. This list is partial and is published for the general information of everyone in our Ship. Make a point to also become familiar with standing operating procedures, regulations, orders, and drills the ship will prescribe from time to time.
2. We are chartered by the BSA and sponsored by First Presbyterian Church of Howard County, and operate subject to all of the rules established by Scouting and our sponsor.
3. We will know the Scout law, Scout oath, and Sea Promise by memory. Be familiar with ideals.
4. Petty officers and Seamen will make a continuous and progressive effort in advancement.
5. Wearing the uniform of Columbia Ranger is both a privilege and an obligation.
6. The uniform, when prescribed, will be complete and worn in the proper manner.
7. Covers will be worn out of doors, and indoors during ceremonies.
8. At any meeting or event, be on deck wearing prescribed uniform and equipment required not later than the time announced.
9. An officer will be addressed as "sir" or "ma'am".
10. The authority and responsibility of your petty officers and officers will be respected. Deal with you immediate superior. Secure your immediate superior's permission if you want to take a problem to higher authority. Such a request will not be denied, but must be made first. If an order is objected to, carry it out before requesting such permission.
11. You are subject to supervision and control of the Ship in the harbor, boat yard, vessels, and location of any Ship's activity until dismissed.
12. On camping trips, girls are not allowed in the boys' area at all, and boys are

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13. Official communications with outside, affiliated, or related organizations or individuals will be conducted through the Skipper. No other person can make any commitment for the Ship.
14. The Starboard Side of the bridge is Skipper's Country.
15. General meetings of the Ship are mandatory formations. If absence is unavoidable, notify your immediate superior. Special activities, with the exception of fund-raisers, are not mandatory formations. However, if you sign up, you must attend. If absence is unavoidable notify the person in charge in advance.
16. Wherever a question or uncertainty exists about proper conduct, rules, and orders, you are obligated to ask the person in charge. If he does not have the answer, he is obligated to admit so first, make a temporary ruling only if circumstances require, and find out as soon afterward as possible.

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