Scouts Canada Youth Protection

Youth Protection Policy

Anyone with reasonable and probable grounds to believe that a child is being mistreated or is receiving inadequate care and supervision is required to report such suspicions to the local child protection authority. If there is uncertainty about information, it is prudent to consult with local child protection authorities.

Youth Protection Reporting Procedure

As a Scouter, you have a legal duty to report if you suspect that a youth has been or is at risk of being physically or emotionally harmed (including sexually molested) by a person having charge of the youth, or if you observe a violation of Scouts Canada Youth Protection Procedures and Guidelines.

Canadian Child Protection Agencies

It is each and every volunteer's responsibility to be aware of the signs and symptoms of abuse or neglect, and to report any incidents, suspicions or disclosures. As part of Scouts Canada's Duty of Care to report all instances of physical and sexual abuse, provincial and/or territorial contact information for local child protection agencies and the police is provided here.

Anti-Bullying and Harassment Policy

Bullying/harassment are forms of abuse. Bullying/harassment breaks down the positive and protective environment we seek to develop, and, at its worst, is physically, emotionally, or sexually harmful. It is contrary to our objective of individual growth and development. Bullying/harassment in any form are unacceptable.

