

# Young Marine Contract and Obligation

PLEASE COMPLETE, READ, AND SIGN

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial \_\_\_\_\_

## UNDERSTANDING AND CONDITIONS

1. I understand that I am joining the Young Marines of my own free will and desire. I know that the training will be challenging, but I will accept it and shall always try to do my best.
2. I understand that I am bound to obey all orders and instruction given from time to time by instructors, staff and Young Marines appointed over me in accordance to the rules and regulation governing the discipline of the Young Marines.
3. I understand as a Young Marine in good standing I have the following rights:
  - Attend scheduled meetings, events and activities that are purposeful, planned and organized.
  - Meet in a safe, drug and tobacco-free environment under the supervision of Registered Adults.
  - Be treated fairly with dignity and respect.
  - Have opportunities to succeed and excel.
  - Report any inappropriate action by other Young Marines or adults.
  - Receive a copy of the Young Marines Esprit Magazine in the Fall, Winter, Spring, and Summer.
4. **Young Marine - Core Values.** Every United States Marine upholds the core values of Honor, Courage and Commitment. These values give Marines their strength, regulate their behavior, and bond them together into a force, like no other, capable of overcoming every obstacle and meeting any challenge. The Young Marines' Core values are Discipline, Leadership and Teamwork.
  - a. **Discipline.** Discipline requires that Young Marines show instant willingness and obedience to the rules of the Young Marine program, their parent's rules, and the laws of the land. Discipline also dictates a respect for authority. Young Marines will:
    - 1) Follow all rules and regulations set forth in the Young Marine Guidebooks and manuals.
    - 2) Follow the rules of the home and of their parents, completing chores, obeying curfews, and assisting in the home when needed.
    - 3) Follow all laws of our government and have respect for our leaders, police and those in charge of us.
  - b. **Leadership.** Leadership is the ability to influence others. A good leader is able to effectively pass on from their leaders all that is expected to be accomplished. A true leader leads by example. Young Marines will:
    - 1) Aspire to positively influence the fellow Young Marines all the time.
    - 2) Accomplish their mission by completing all tasks assigned by their leaders and those in charge of them from their parents, teachers, coaches and Young Marine adult leaders.
  - c. **Teamwork.** Teamwork is co-operation between those working together on a task. To truly understand teamwork, Young Marines must learn to listen to their leaders and peers, ask questions to ensure complete understanding, persuade their team that they can accomplish the mission, respect those on their team and their suggestions, help those on their team to accomplish the mission, share in the glory and the failures of the team, and participate in the task as a member of the team. Young Marines will: