

GENERAL INFORMATION

16TH NATIONAL SCOUT JAMBOREE

ENERGY PARK, APOKON, TAGUM CITY, DAVAO DEL NORTE, PHILIPPINES
24-30 OCTOBER 2015

We are pleased to send to you the general details and the logistical requirements that may be required by the participants and guests for the 16th National Scout Jamboree of the Boy Scouts of the Philippines (BSP).

General Information

The Boy Scouts of the Philippines (BSP) is pleased to announce the holding of the **16th National Scout Jamboree** on **24-30 October 2015** at the **Energy Park, Apokon, Tagum City, Davao del Norte** with the theme, **"Peace and Development Through Scouting."**

Tagum City is the capital city of the province of Davao del Norte, Philippines. The city is part of the Metropolitan Davao area. It is one of top most livable cities in the Philippines, and was one of the finalists in Most Child Friendly City in the Philippines.

For more information about the host city, you may visit their website at <http://www.tagumcity.gov.ph/>.

Aims and Objectives

The Jamboree aims to provide a progressive, safe and enjoyable learning environment for the Scouts in order to enhance their physical, social, mental, emotional and spiritual potentials. At the end of the Jamboree, the participants should be able to:

- a. Promote the highest quality of Scouting, one that is faithful to the mission, principles and method of Scouting and adapted to the needs and aspirations of young people;
- b. Undertake high-adventure activities, including community service projects related to the current thrusts of World Scouting (Environment Education, Peace Education and Development Education) through the Messengers of the Peace (MoP) Initiatives, World Scout Environment Programme (WSEP, including the Solar Badge) and the Scouts of the World Award (SWA);
- c. Undergo projects, programs and activities that will cater to the fulfillment of the requirements of selected merit badges and scout ranks under the Advancement Scheme;
- d. Develop core life skills and 21st century leadership capabilities through team building, cooperative learning, group dynamics, creative problem-solving and decision-making skills;
- e. Keep oneself abreast with the prevailing issues about the environment, human rights, health, education, culture and science and technology through the Global Development Village, City of Science and Cross Roads of Cultures.

Qualifications of Participants

The following are the qualifications for the participating Scouts and Adult Leaders, viz:

- a. A Scout is expected to have leadership potentials, sufficient camping experience, and physically fit to undergo strenuous activities with corresponding parent's consent and:
 - Must be currently registered as a Scout with his/her national scout organization
 - Must be between the ages of nine (9) to twenty six (26) years old
 - Must be equipped with camping gears
- b. Participating Adult Leaders must have the maturity and clarity about his/her role and:
 - Must be currently registered with his/her national scout organization
 - Must be physically fit as certified by a physician
 - Must be of good moral character
 - Must be equipped with camping gears
 - Preferably a Bead Holder or graduates of Advanced Training Courses (ATC)

Registration Fee and Deadline of Confirmation of Attendance

A Registration Fee of **ONE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (USD 150.00)** shall be charged for each of the participants in order to defray administrative costs, program materials, in-land transportation to and from the airport-hotel-camp site, tent for each of the participants, cooking and other camping gears, souvenir items and food from Lunch of 23 October 2015 until Dinner of 30 October 2015.

The deadline for the confirmation of attendance is on or before 1159H (PST, GMT+8) of **25 September 2015, Friday**.

Suggested Arrivals and Departures

Those who will be attending the 16th National Scout Jamboree are requested to arrive in Manila (Ninoy Aquino International Airport) on not later than 1300H of 22 October 2015, Thursday and are suggested to leave not later than 1200H of 1 November 2015, Sunday. The duration of stay is for eleven (11) days and ten (10) nights.

The suggested itineraries of travels are as follows:

22 October 2015	Arrival of Participants in Manila Overnight Stay at the BP International Hotel in Manila
23 October 2015	Departure from Manila to Davao City (0910H via PAL 1813) Arrival in Davao City (1100H) Travel from Davao City to Tagum City (1130H) Arrival at the Camp Site (1230H)
24-29 October 2015	Camp Proper
30-31 October 2015	City Tour
31 October 2015	Travel from Tagum City to Davao City (1030H) Travel from Davao City to Manila (1430H via PAL 1816) Overnight Stay at the BP International Hotel in Manila
1 November 2015	Departure from Manila to Home Country (1200H)

The fare for the plane tickets of the participants from Manila to Davao City will be shouldered separately by the participants. Arrangements may be made with the Boy Scouts of the Philippines.

It is further requested for the participants to send a copy of their plane tickets and itineraries to the National Project Management Team at kenny.fernando@scouts.org.ph, butch.isidoro@scouts.org.ph or at bsp@scouts.org.ph.

Hotel Accommodation

All guests must take care of their respective overseas travel to and from the Philippines. The Boy Scouts of the Philippines will be providing the accommodation at the Baden Powel International Hotel – Manila in Budget Rooms that could accommodate six (6) persons on 22 and 31 October 2015 only.

Participants who would opt to stay in rooms for single or double occupancy only may upgrade their respective rooms provided that any additional payment/s that may be incurred on top of the budget allocated for the accommodation will be personally shouldered by the participants.

Below is a copy of the room rates and the corresponding additional payment/s:

ROOM TYPE		ROOM RATE		ADDITIONAL PAYMENT PER UPGRADE	
From	To	PH Peso	US Dollars	PH Peso	US Dollars
Budget Room	Single Room	1,200.00	27.27	700.00	15.91
Budget Room	Single De Luxe	1,600.00	36.36	1,100.00	25.00
Budget Room	Twin De Luxe	1,600.00	36.36	550.00/pax	12.50/pax

Participants who would be upgrading their hotel accommodations must inform the National Project Management Team ahead of time in order to make the necessary arrangements.

Program

The day-to-day program of the Jamboree is enclosed in this document for reference.

Visa

Participants from the various national scout organizations (NSOs) in the Asia-Pacific Region (APR) who would need assistance in the processing of their visa requirements to enter into the Philippines must inform the Boy Scouts of the Philippines ahead of time in order for the host NSO to forward a letter to the different Philippine Embassies/Consular Offices.

The Philippines has a No Visa Entry Policy for one hundred fifty one (151) countries for a maximum of thirty (30) days, provided they are holders of a passport valid at least six (6) months beyond the period of stay in the Philippines, and present a return or outward bound ticket to their country of origin or to a next country of destination. You may check the list thru this website <http://itsmorefuninthephilippines.com/philippines-visa-and-entry-information/>.

Airport Reception

Participants who have confirmed their attendance to the Jamboree will be received upon arrival at the Ninoy Aquino International Airport (NAIA Terminals 1, 2 and 3) after prior clearance with the Philippine immigration and customs. Local Scouts and Scout Leaders will be waiting at the lobby in Scout Uniforms. Arriving participants are requested to wear at least a Scout Scarf in order to be easily identified.

The participants will be brought to the Baden Powel International Hotel – Manila for billeting except for those who have made their own booking reservation with the hotel of their own choice, in which case, they shall be brought to their respective hotels.

If for any reason there are guests who are not met upon arrival, they may contact any of the following persons immediately:

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What To Bring

- The Philippines has a tropical climate. Participants are advised to bring light garments, preferably cotton wear.
- The dress code for all the activities of the Jamboree are casual wears with the Scout neckerchief, except for the Opening, Closing and Grand Campfire Ceremonies where participants are required to wear their Scout Uniforms.

Contact Persons

For any further details and/or clarifications regarding the Jamboree, logistical requirements and/or advance hotel bookings and confirmations, you may contact any of the following:

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