



JAMBOREE on the INTERNET

Chat Safety and Etiquette

Safety on the Internet

Whether you are participating in **Jamboree on the Internet** or just surfing the web on your own time, it's important to always be *safe* !

Some things to remember: (with tips from the RCMP's *Internet Safety Resources for Youth*)

- ✓ **ALWAYS** know who you are talking to
- ✓ **NEVER** agree to meet a stranger you've met online or give them your address or phone number... and it's safer to use only your last initial rather than your full last name
- ✓ **Keep your conversation to topics you'd share with anybody you met... DON'T** discuss private topics, opinions of people, or your personal feelings
- ✓ **DON'T** send photos of yourself to people you don't know
- ✓ **DON'T** accept files (like videos or music) from people you don't know... they could contain a virus that might damage the information on your computer
- ✓ **If somebody says something hurtful or something you disagree with, DON'T** get angry or take it personally; just politely disagree. If they continue, just **STOP** the conversation.
- ✓ **Report ALL unusual or uncomfortable events to your leaders and your parents**



Chat Room Etiquette

The most important thing is to **be patient** and to **take your turn**. There are a lot of people chatting online, and they all have something to say. Don't monopolize the conversation. Take time to read what others wrote before you type. But... do **take part in the conversation**... don't just lurk and listen.

Also, be **friendly** and **polite** at all times. Remember that we are Scouts, and the people you are chatting with, though they may be far away, are real people with real feelings. Also remember they may come from different **cultures** and have different **traditions**. *Respect their opinions, and they'll respect yours.*



It starts with Scouts.
Tout commence avec les Scouts.