

Kittatinny Lodge #5 - BSA Brotherhood Review Checklist

This page contains information that you will need to know to complete your Brotherhood Review and ceremony.

*NOTE: In the past, the process of becoming a Brotherhood member was called the "Brotherhood Test." **This term is no longer accurate** because the process is not a test. Instead, it is a thing of the Spirit. No one can fail to become a Brotherhood member if they desire to do so. Before you can complete your ceremony, you will take part in a counseling session to ensure that you understand the meaning of your Ordeal and what being a Brother in the lodge means. To prepare for your Brotherhood Review, please do your best to learn the information found on this checklist. Your counselor will help you through the information if you have difficulty learning it on your own. We want you to become a Brotherhood member of our lodge and we will make every effort to help you achieve your goal.*

Lodge ID # _____

Are your Dues paid for the current year? _____ *Contact the membership committee to see if your dues are up to date.*

Name: _____

Address: _____

Registered as a _____ Unit # _____

District: _____

Date of Ordeal Ceremony _____ / _____ / _____

All answers to the following questions can be found in the Order of the Arrow Handbook

1. To take your brotherhood, you must send in an additional \$22.00 with your weekend registration fee. This covers the cost of your new sash and pin.

2. Memorize the following. If you need assistance ask another OA member or contact an officer.

- The Admonition (this was whispered in your ear at the Ordeal ceremony)
- The Obligation
- The Arrow Handclasp (you were given this handclasp when you got your sash at your Ordeal)
- [The Official Song of The Order](#)
- Sign of Ordeal Membership (this was also shown to you at your Ordeal)

3. Learn the four principles, their role in the ceremony, and their symbolism:

Kitchkinet	Guide	Helpfulness and friendliness
Nutiket	Guard	Cheerfulness
Meteu	Medicine Man	Brotherhood
Allowat Sakima	Mighty Chief	Service

4. Learn the tests of the Ordeal and their significance:

Night alone	Need for courage and self reliance
Scant food	Self denial
Pledge of Silence	Need to spend time in thought, full silence to make difficult decisions
Day of Work	Willingness to serve

6. Write a letter to the secretary reviewing your progress toward Brotherhood, explain the meaning of the Obligation to you, and outline how you plan to be active in the lodge.

Bring this checklist and your letter to the lodge weekend. Do not mail them with your weekend registration.

Additional resources that might be useful:

[Forms](#)- You must complete a weekend registration form if you plan to take your brotherhood that weekend and mail to the Council Center. This is not necessary if you are completing your brotherhood at summer camp.

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)- A helpful list of common questions from new members.

[Message Center](#)- Use this service to contact the brotherhood committee with any questions. You can also contact the Membership Committee with any inquiries regarding dues.

Thanks for taking the time to prepare for the Brotherhood. Through your efforts, our lodge is one step closer to achieving Honor Lodge for this year.

Don't hesitate to contact us if you have any problems. (We're friendly and we don't bite!) Our numbers are in your latest copy of [The Wolf's Tale](#), or you may reach us via the [Kittatinny Lodge Message Center](#).

Yours in Brotherhood,
Your Lodge Officers & The Brotherhood Committee