



Grafton Pack 106 Whittlin' Chip Rules and Info



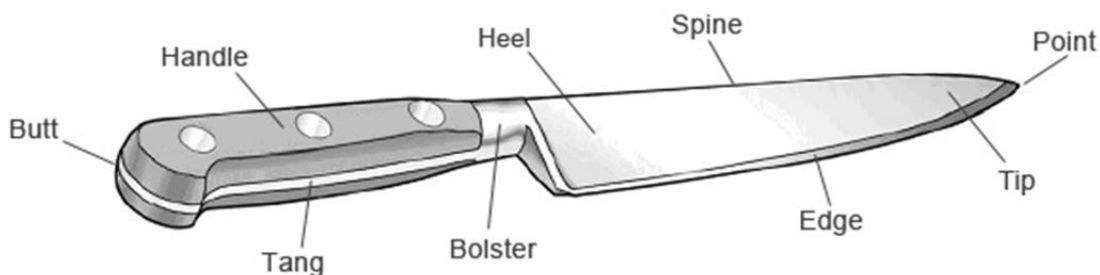
Whittlin' Chip Rules

- **Always check with Akela before bringing your knife anywhere!** Don't bring your knife to school or to a store. Only bring it camping or hiking IF Akela says it's OK!
- Your knife is a tool, NOT a toy! If Akela sees you using your knife improperly, it will be taken away, and you'll lose a corner of your Whittlin' Chip. If you lose all 4 corners of your Chip, it will be taken from you, and you'll have to take the course again.
- If anyone, including you, gets hurt while you're using your knife, you'll lose your Whittlin' Chip until next year!

Knife Safety Do's and Don't's

- Before you open your knife, do a "Safety Circle" check by moving your arms all around you in a big circle. If there's anyone in the circle, you shouldn't use the knife.
- Always walk with your knife **pointing away from you** when holding a knife or scissors.
- Always cut away from you.
- Always keep your knife sharp and clean. A dull knife is dangerous to use.
- Always have a firm grip on the knife. Don't use it if your hands are slippery.
- Always be aware that your knife is under your control. If you need to put it down, close it. You should not leave knives out where other people (younger siblings) could pick it up and play with it.
- Always know where the first aid kit is.
- Only use a knife as a saw if the material you're cutting is soft enough (rope, cloth, etc.). There is separate training for using a wood saw.
- Never try to catch a knife if you've dropped it. Step back away from it, and let it fall to the ground before picking it up.
- Never run while holding a knife or scissors!
- Never throw a knife at anything (a tree, a board, etc.)
- Never use a knife as a screwdriver.
- Never use a knife to skin the bark off of a tree, carve your name in anything, or carve something that's not yours.
- Never use a knife to dig in the ground. It will dull the knife.

Parts of a Knife



Part 1 – True/False - Circle the right answer

A knife is NOT a toy.	True / False
A dull knife is safer than a sharp knife.	True / False
Dirt on a knife blade helps keep it sharp.	True / False
It's OK to carve your initials on things that don't belong to you.	True / False
When someone hands you a knife, you say "Thank You" just to show good manners.	True / False
A knife is handy for cutting bark off trees.	True / False
A pocketknife should always be closed when it is not in use.	True / False
It's okay to keep your knife wet.	True / False
You should carry your open knife in your pocket.	True / False
You should close the blade with the palm of your hand.	True / False
Tossing a knife to someone else is OK as long as they're expecting it.	True / False
When you're using your knife while your parent is around, any mistakes are their fault.	True / False

Part 2 – Fill in the blanks

1. Close the blade with the _____ of your hand.
2. A _____ should never be used on something that will dull or break it.
3. People watching you work with your knife should not enter your _____.
4. Your knife should always be kept _____ and _____.
5. Scissors should be handled with the same safety rules as a _____.
6. Always _____ when carrying a knife or scissors.
7. A knife should be cleaned both _____ and _____ cutting food with it.