

# Elangomat/Nimat Handbook



## **Introduction**

The words Elangomat and Nimat are derived from the Lenni Lenape words ‘friend’ and ‘brother’. That is exactly what you will be. You will be a friend of your clan, guiding them, helping them, making sure they complete their full ordeal/brotherhood weekend with you at their side.

The guide for the ordeal candidates is given the name ‘Elangomat’, while the brotherhood guide is given the name ‘Nimat’.

## **Elangomat/Nimat Packing Checklist**

- This handbook
- Standard blue tarp\*
- Sleeping Bag
- Extra Clothes
- Rain Gear
- Water Bottle
- Scout Uniform (Including OA sash)
- Flashlight
- Toiletries
- Work gloves

\*It is super important to bring this, if you don’t, and you are an ordeal nimat, you will be sleeping on the wet ground.

## **Expectations**

Lead by example-

This is something that every scout should be doing, especially Arrowmen. If you do not work hard during your arduous labor, neither will your candidates. If you do not demonstrate the characteristics of an Arrowman, your brothers will not have a good example to follow.

### Be Kind-

A part of being a brother and a friend is being kind. For the candidates, it would not be an enjoyable experience to have their Elangomat or Nimat be 'bossy' and constantly threatening them with not getting their sash. It is still important to have them on task, but do not be overly commanding.

### Be Organized-

By this, you at all times should know where your clan is and what they are doing. You should also know where your clan is supposed to go for the duration of the event.

### Know the names-

It is very important that you get to know the names of your clan before they are put under the silence oath. This way, it can be a more personal experience for the candidate. If you act like a friend and call them by their name, they will be more likely to come back to future events.

### Be early-

You shall arrive to the event—at which you are an Elangomat or Nimat—at least 1 hour before the event starts. This way, you will get to know your clan as they arrive, and also be able to attend any Elangomat or Nimat meetings. If you are unfamiliar with the camp where the event is being held, you should take some of this time looking over a camp map and exploring the camp.

### Be aware of your clan's health-

Being aware of your clan's health would mean both knowing when they are drinking water, and taking care of their health problems. If you are an elangomat, make sure every candidate has their necessary medication. Overall, you should be aware of problems such as asthma, injuries, heart problems, etc. Be sure to ask about these types of things. If anything becomes a problem, you should seek help immediately.

### Keep candidates focused-

It is your responsibility to make sure that your clan is constantly working and staying on task, as well as staying with the purpose of the ordeal/brotherhood weekend. You should also know how to handle people who are not staying on task. It is suggested that you take them aside and tell them about the purpose of the weekend and why they are there. If they are persistently off task, please notify the Elangomat/Nimat Chairman.

### **Extended Elangomating**

When you first received your sash and became a part of the Order, you may have not known how to get active. You might have not had someone to tell you about the chapter meetings, LLD's, Section Conclave, or anything else. That is why our lodge has developed the program 'Extended Elangomating.'

Basically, only during the ordeal, you would collect the names of the clan members, along with their phone numbers and emails. You would then contact the new ordeal members about the following topics:

-Chapter Meetings (Tell them when and where it is, and tell them to talk to their scoutmaster about getting a ride.)

-LLD's (Lodge Leadership Development)

-Winter Event

-Section Conclave

-Spring Gathering

-Lodge positions

### **Extended Elangomating Recognition Patch**

This patch is awarded to those who complete the following requirements:

1. Serve as an Elangomat once
2. Serve as a Nimat once
3. Show up to the event at which you are Elangomating or Nimating at least 1 hour early.
4. Log the events that you are an Elangomat or Nimat at, and log the candidates, including their name, phone numbers, and emails.
5. Contact your ordeal clan about the following topics:
  - Chapter Meetings
  - Conclave
  - LLD
  - Brotherhood Completion
  - Lodge Positions
6. Fill out the Extended Elangomat Patch application

**Extended Elangomat Patch Application**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit No. \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_  
Membership Level (Circle one) Ordeal/Brotherhood/Vigil

Ordeal Event Date (start): \_\_\_\_\_ Ordeal Event Date (end): \_\_\_\_\_

Brotherhood Event Date (start): \_\_\_\_\_ Brotherhood Event Date (end): \_\_\_\_\_

**Ordeal Clan Members:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit No. \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Please Return This Paper to the Elangomat/Nimat Chairman**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ have completely and thoroughly read through the Elangomat/Nimat handbook, and will follow the guidelines while I am an Elangomat or Nimat.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Signed: \_\_\_\_\_