

# TOTIN' CHIT

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## Ax Yard

- Ten by Ten.
- Only one person at a time is allowed in the ax yard.
- Axe yard is used when using axes, hatchets, and saws.

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## Blood Circle

- Hold the blade of the knife and go around in a circle.
- If you can touch anyone, then they have to leave your blood circle.
- If violated, both people lose a corner from there totin chit.

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## Rules That Always Apply

- Always say thank you when being handed knife, ax or saw.
- Sharp tools are safer than dull ones.
- Always tell an adult if your tool is broken or dull.
- Always wear safety goggles and gloves when using saws axes, and hatchets.
- Machetes are not allowed in Boy Scouts.

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# Pocket Knives

- Always check your blood circle.
- Always whittle away from you.
- Always have the blade of a knife closed when not using it, or giving it to someone else.
- All knives used in scouting can not be more then 3 ½ inches long.
- Never whittle large chunks of wood.

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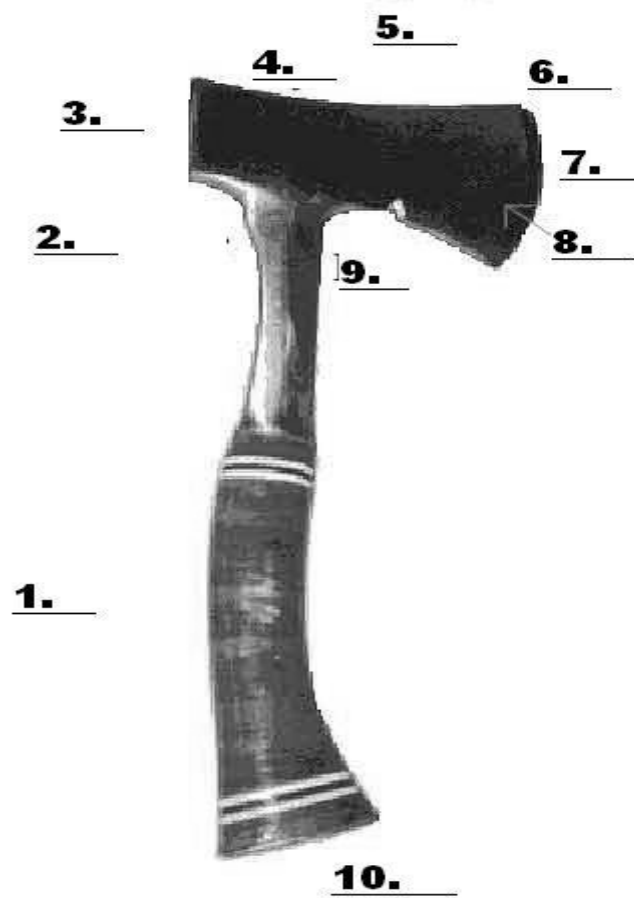
# Axes and Hatchets

- Always use axes or hatchets in the axe yard.
- An axe is more stable than a hatchet.
- When chopping wood, the notch should be the diameter of the wood.
- Boy scouts in troop 44 are not allowed to try to fix axes or hatchets.
- The proper way to fix a loose head is to let it soak in water or linseed oil.
- Never use an axe or hatchet as a hammer.
- Always use Safety goggles and gloves when using an axe or hatchet.
- Never have someone hold the piece of wood while you cut it.

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Parts of a  
hatchet

# Parts of a hatchet



1. handle	2. shoulder	3. poll	4. eye	5. head
6. toe	7. bit	8. blade	9. heel	10. butt

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# Saws

- Always wear safety goggles and gloves when using a saw.
- Always tell an adult leader if your saw has broken teeth.
- Always cut wood with a saw in an axe yard.
- Make sure that you have a firm grip on the saw when you begin to cut.
- Make sure that you are holding the piece of wood with the other hand, but make sure it is a reasonable distance from the saw.

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