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Dear Sandy:

In response to your letter of June 3rd, I know of no impediment to a Brother joining a Boy Scout related organization as it relates to his Masonic obligations. To my knowledge, the Boy Scouts do not claim to express a form of Freemasonry. Rather, the Boy Scouts have labored long and hard to instill knowledge and character into the lives of the boys (now including girls I understand) they work with through their principles and teachings. While the Scouts and Masons share many laudable tenets they do so without regard to the other.

If the members of NAMS wish to form a chapter here in this Grand Jurisdiction, it should be at their discretion. With continued support of your Masonic and Scouting efforts, I am,

Fraternally,

Mark E. Rustin
Grand Master of Masons in Maine