# Don't be on the Cutting Edge of Knife Safety!



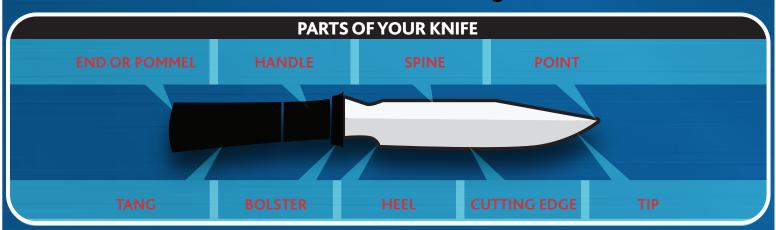
Don't take a chance. After reading this safety tip you may feel pretty safe.

Don't jinx it!





When chopping food, tucking in your knuckles under your palm and using your nails to grip the food helps reduce the need for bandages.





## **BLOOD ZONE**

Extend your arm and index finger, and then spin around to make a circle around you. This circle is known as your "blood zone" (and may also be known as your "safety zone" or "safety bubble").

# RIGHT BLADE FOR THE RIGHT JOB

Every knife has a purpose. Use the right knife for the right job. You can find a wide selection of knives at the Scoutshop.

#### **MACHETE**

• Clearing trails and campsites with controlled gusto

#### FILET KNIFE

· Gutting and fileting fish

#### SURVIVAL KNIFE

- Removing small branches from a tree trunk
- Creating feather sticks
- Carefully splitting kindling into finer kindling

#### KITCHEN KNIFE

Preparing food

#### **LONG BLADE**

- Carving wood
- Removing bark

### DROP-POINT LONG

- Cutting rope
- Whittling

### DROP-POINT SHORT

- Cutting twine or string
- Sharpening marshmallow sticks

# Stay Sharp with these Pro Tips:



Keep your blade clean. Oil joints and springs as required.



when not in use.

Always cut away from your body



Don't fool around with a knife. Throwing one into the ground, into tables or into trees is not only very dangerous, but hard on both the knife and your surroundings.



