

Dear Troop Leader,

Welcome to the new Girl Scout Membership Year! We are glad that you have decided to volunteer with the Girl Scouts. You will make a difference in the lives of the girls. Girls who are currently members love Girl Scouting for the following reasons:

- They have fun!
- They build strong enduring friendships
- They explore their world and find their place in it
- They better their community and the world
- They develop valuable practical skills
- And they become strong, confident and courageous women

Congratulations for choosing our organization to volunteer with. We have tried to make the troop registration process as simple as possible. Following are the simple steps in the troop registration process:

1. Distribute the girl registration forms and health histories to the girl or her parents or legal guardian.
2. Distribute the adult registration forms to your co-leader and any other adult who would like to register with the troop.
3. Collect the membership fees, forms and health histories from girls and adults. (Adults do not fill out health histories). Please do not send health history forms to the New York office.
4. Complete the Membership Dues Summary form.

Make copies for yourself so you will have a record for Troop files. Use the Troop checklist as a quick double check to make sure you have not forgotten anything. After you have completed all steps, turn your troops' packet with forms and money to the Overseas Committee Chair or Registrar.

The only requirement for membership is that each girl and adult makes the Promise and Law and registers with the organization meeting the membership standards.

The annual member fees are \$12.00 for both girls and adults. Lifetime memberships can be purchased for adults for \$300.00.

By registering your troop, you will receive services and resources from GSUSA which will help you throughout the year. Your troop's registration ensures that you will receive these benefits.

If you or someone you have designated as troop registrar has problems or questions, ask your USA Girl Scouts Overseas Chair for help. We wish you and your troop the best for a fun-filled, happy, and successful year!

Sandy Thomas
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