

Volunteer Onboarding and Training Summary

Troop Leader, Chaperone, Driver & General Volunteer Requirements

Training	Who It's For	Prerequisites	Course Format	When to Complete	Expires?
611 Girl Scouts Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention <i>Upload of external Mandated Reporting Training certificate waives requirement.</i>	Troop Leaders Troop Chaperones Service Unit Managers Volunteers with direct contact or supervision of children greater than 16 hrs./month or 32 hrs./year	None	gsLearn	Within 90 days of starting role	✓ Every 2 years
LiveScan Fingerprinting	Troop Leaders Troop Chaperones Service Unit Managers Volunteers with direct contact or supervision of children greater than 16 hrs./month or 32 hrs./year	None	N/A	Within 90 days of starting role	✗ Never <i>With continuous Girl Scout membership.</i>
Background Check <i>LiveScan Fingerprinting waives requirement.</i>	Volunteers with direct contact or supervision of children less than 16 hrs./month or 32 hrs./year	None	N/A	Within 90 days of starting role	✓ Every 3 years
New Leader Orientation	Troop Leaders	None	In-person or Live Webinar	Within 90 days of starting role	✗ Never
611 Troop Leader Onboarding	Troop Leaders	None	gsLearn	Within 90 days of starting role	✗ Never
611 Grade Level Trainings	Troop Leaders	None	gsLearn	Within 90 days of starting role	✗ Never
611 Getting Out & About	Troop Leaders	None	gsLearn	3 months before first outing	✗ Never
611 Troop Chaperone Onboarding	Troop Chaperones <i>For volunteers counted toward the required volunteer-to-youth ratio.</i>	None	gsLearn	3 months before first outing	✗ Never
611 Troop Driver Onboarding	Troop Drivers	None	gsLearn	3 months before first outing	✗ Never

Overnight, Outdoor & Travel Trainings*

Training	Who It's For	Prerequisites	Format	When to Complete	Expires?
Indoor Overnight	Overnight Troop Chaperones Troop Camping Advisors Troop Travel Advisors	611 Indoor Overnight Prerequisites (gsLearn)	Live Webinar	2 months before first overnight experience	✗ Never
Camping Skills (Session 1 & 2)	Troop Camping Advisors	Indoor Overnight	Live Webinar	4 months before first camping experience	✗ Never
Backpacking Skills (Part 1 & 2)	Troop Camping Advisors	Indoor Overnight Camping Skills	Live Webinar + In-person Overnight	6 months before first backpacking experience	✗ Never
Domestic Troop Travel	Troop Travel Advisors	Indoor Overnight	Live Webinar	6 months before first travel experience	✓ Every 2 years <i>Refresher on gsLearn.</i>
International Travel	Troop Travel Advisors	Indoor Overnight Domestic Troop Travel	gsLearn	24 months before first international experience, including cruises	✗ Never

* Outdoor & Travel trainings (except Domestic Troop Travel) are recommended every 5 years if skills haven't been actively used.

However, being more than five years out from these trainings is not, on its own, a reason to deny a permission form.

For detailed information on what training is needed for specific types of overnights, see the [Volunteer Training](#) page under "Troop Camping and/or Travel Advisor."

Product and Finance Trainings

Training	Who It's For	Prerequisites	Format	When to Complete	Expires?
611 Troop Treasurer Onboarding	Troop Treasurers	None	gsLearn	Within 90 days of starting role	✗ Never*
611 Special Events Director	Special Events/ Money-Earning Directors	None	gsLearn	3 months before first money-earning event outside of product programs	✗ Never*
611 Troop Fall Product Program Chair	Troop Product Program Chairs	None	gsLearn	Before participation in Fall Product Program	🔄 New course yearly <i>Retake at discretion of the Product Program Team.</i>
611 Troop Cookie Program Chair	Troop Product Program Chairs	None	gsLearn	Before participation in Cookie Program	🔄 New course yearly

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** Troop Treasurer Onboarding and Special Events Director trainings are recommended every 5 years if skills haven't been actively used. However, being more than five years out from these trainings is not, on its own, a reason to deny a permission form.*

First Aid Trainings*

Training	Who It's For	Prerequisites	Format	When to Complete	Expires?
First Aid CPR/AED	Troop First Aiders	None	Online + In-person	Before the first event outside of a troop meeting	✓ Every 2 years
Wilderness & Remote First Aid	Troop First Aiders Event First Aiders	First Aid CPR/AED	In-person	When EMS is greater than 30 mins. away For events of 200+	✓ Every 2 years

** Appropriate external training or certification waives requirements including Wilderness First Responder training or medical and EMT licenses.*

Additional Resources

This is not an exhaustive list of all learning opportunities. Additional courses are available on gsLearn, and workshops are offered through the Events Calendar as they become available.

Webpages

[MyGS \(gsLearn login\)](#)
[Events Calendar](#)
[Volunteer Training](#)

Documents

[Volunteer Roles](#)
[What I Need for my Girls to Attend a...](#)
[A Troop Leader's Guide to Permission](#)
[Forms](#)
[Overnights 101](#)