

Important Changes to the Boy Scouts of America's Youth Protection Training Policies and Changes in Registration Procedures

Effective June 1, 2010:

- Youth Protection Training is required for all registered volunteers.
- New leaders are required to take Youth Protection Training before they submit their application for registration. The certificate of completion for this training must be submitted at the time application is made and before volunteer service with youth begins.
- Youth Protection Training must be taken every two years. If a volunteer's Youth Protection Training record is not current at the time of recharter, the volunteer will not be reregistered.

On the night of June 1, 2010 the above information was emailed from the national office to every registered volunteer with an email address (approximately 600,000 volunteers).

As the council registrar you should now have the following registration procedures in effect in your council:

- Do not post any adult leader registration without proof that they have completed Youth Protection Training. A complete Adult Leader Application for registration should include a completely filled out and signed Adult Leader Application Form, Criminal Background Check Disclosure/Authorization Form, and a Youth Protection Training certificate of completion.
- An applicant may take online Y01, Youth Protection Training through MyScouting, or complete the council or district presented classroom Youth Protection Training.
- A member ID is not required to create a MyScouting account in order to take online Youth Protection Training. Once an adult leader is assigned a member ID, they should log back on to MyScouting and input their member ID so all training activity will be linked with their PAS record.
- Youth Protection Training and a completion date should be entered in PAS on the Person Profile Advancement and Training tab for all applicants that complete a live training. In addition, the council should verify that Youth Protection Training and completion dates are correctly recorded on the Person Profile of applicants that complete online training and update PAS with information from the applicant's certificate of completion if needed.
- All adult leaders must take Youth Protection training every two years and will not be allowed to reregister unless their training is current. To ensure these policies are fully implemented, please communicate to your current volunteers to make sure that they take the following steps before their unit recharter:
 - If you have not taken Youth Protection training within the past two years, please log on to MyScouting and take the training. Be sure to have your member ID number. The number can be found on your Boy Scouts of America membership card.
 - If you do not know your member ID number, contact your unit leader or committee chairman. Your council can also assist you.
 - A person does not have to be a registered volunteer or have an ID number to take Youth Protection training. To take the training, log in to MyScouting and create an account. From the MyScouting portal, click on E-Learning and take the Youth Protection training. Upon completion, print a certificate and submit it with an application or submit to the unit leader for processing at the local council.
 - If you have taken Youth Protection training online but did not input your member ID number, please log back on to MyScouting and input your member ID so the training will be linked with your records.
 - If you have taken Youth Protection training within the past two years but did not take the course online, contact your council and have them verify that your Youth Protection training records are accurate.
 - Finally, please share these important changes with other Scouters.



To find out more about the Youth Protection policies of the Boy Scouts of America and how to help Scouting you're your family sage, see the *Parent's Guide* in any of the Cub Scouting or Boy Scouting handbooks, or go to <http://www.scouting.org/Training/YouthProtection.aspx>.