

New Troop Leader Training Requirements

In order to build our Girl Scouts into great leaders, we have to start with ourselves! We offer free online training and webinars to empower you with the knowledge, skills and confidence to deliver fun, safe, and meaningful Girl Scout experiences to the girls in your troop. New troop leaders are required to complete either the New Troop Leader online course or the New Troop Leader live webinar.

OPTION ONE: Complete the online New Troop Leader learning path:



- Several short module topics in each part for self-paced learning.
- Take on your own time from any device.

Access the course:

<https://training.gsnorcal.org/course/view.php?id=200>

Part 1: Getting Started (35 Min.)

- New Leader Course Introduction
- Your Role as Troop Leader
- Volunteer Safety Guidelines
- Girl and Caregiver Responsibilities
- Adult-to-Girl Ratios
- Permission and Health History Forms

Part 2: First Troop Meetings (1 Hour)

- Meeting Place Safety
- Contracts & Certificates of Insurance (COI)
- First Aid Kits
- Importance of Getting Adults to Help
- Meeting with Parents/Caregivers
- Getting Ready for First Troop Meetings
- Using Safety Activity Checkpoints
- Leaving the Meeting Place

Part 3: Troop Finance Basics (1 Hour)

- Bank Account Basics
- Opening Your Bank Account
- Financial Best Practices
- Funding Your Troop
- Collecting Payments
- Safeguarding Private Information

Part 4: Girl Scout Experiences (50 Min.)

- Girl Scout Leadership Experience
- Essential Girl Scout Experience
- Keeping it Girl-Led
- Planning Your Troop Year
- Creating an Inclusive, Safe Space for Girls

OPTION TWO: Attend the New Troop Leader Training Webinar:



- Live webinar session with experienced host.
- Complete training in one session.
- Monthly Sessions

Register for course:

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/419161552487>

Webinar Agenda:

(2 hours 30 Min, plus 30 Min. Q&A)

- Welcome to Girl Scouts
 - What is Girl Scouts?
 - Troop Leader Support Network
- What It Means to Be A Troop Leader
 - Troop Leader Requirements
 - Troop Rosters
 - What is Your Role as a leader?
- First Troop Meetings
 - Meeting Place Considerations
 - Contract and COIs
 - Parent/Caregiver Meetings
 - Forming Your Troop Support Team
 - Troop Meeting Structure
- Planning Your Troop Year
 - Troop Management
 - Girl Scout Leadership Experience
 - Essential Girl Scout Experience
 - Progression in Girl Scouts
 - Creating an Inclusive, Safe Space for Girls
- Troop Finances
 - Opening Your Bank Account
 - Ways to Fund Your Troop
 - Involving Girls In Troop Finances
- Girl Scout Safety
 - Volunteer Essentials
 - Safety Activity Checkpoints
 - Leaving the Meeting Place
- Troop Leader Resources
- Continuing Your Volunteer Learning
- Q & A

All troop leaders should also complete:

Program level courses - learn about your troop level's:

- Characteristics
- Program
- Uniform

Mandated Reporter Training – All volunteers must complete mandated reporter training every two years.

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