



Youth Protection Training

How and Where to Complete this Training

Youth Safety is the No. 1 Concern of the Boy Scouts of America

To increase awareness of this societal problem and to create even greater barriers to abuse than already exist today in Scouting, the Boy Scouts of America is implementing several important changes to further enhance its Youth Protection policies.

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.**

To help volunteers comply with this new National BSA regulation, we are providing the following information and schedule to help you complete this important training.

We have two methods of completing this training. 1) online at www.myscouting.org or 2) in person. We have also set up several opportunities for new and existing volunteers to complete this training using either method.

Method #1 online

From the comfort of your home you can take the Youth Protection Training online at this address: www.myscouting.org. *(For best performance, use Internet Explorer 7.0 & above or FireFox 3.0 & above. Some Courses require you to have the latest version of Flash Player, a free browser plug-in available from Macromedia (Adobe).*

If you don't already have an account on myscouting.org, you will need to create one.

If you are a new leader or don't have your membership ID#, you can still take the Youth Protection Training and then after you have a membership ID# enter it into your profile on MyScouting.

At the end of the training you will be given the opportunity to "Print Certificate." Please do so and submit that with your new Leader application.

If you encounter a problem creating or accessing a MyScouting account, assistance is available from the BSA National Service Desk. Please call: (972) 580-2267 or e-mail myscouting@scouting.org and provide contact information, council name, and a description of the problem. A help document, with frequently asked questions, is available from the Sign in screen.

If you don't have a computer, or your computer doesn't meet the technical requirements, you can go to a Library or come to our Council Service Center at 2860 Genesee Street, Buffalo, NY 14225. We are open Monday – Friday, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. There is no need to schedule an appointment; just stop by and let us know you would like to take Youth Protection Training.



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Method #2 in person

We can provide unit leaders with a Go Kit, everything you would need to do the training, video, quiz, reporting materials and certificate cards.

If you or your leader doesn't feel comfortable leading the training, you can schedule a trainer to come out to your unit. Contact Army Leonetti at 716-512-6207 or Army.Leonetti@scouting.org to schedule a training.

We have also set up several special times when we will be hosting the training here at our Council Service Center at 2860 Genesee Street, Buffalo, NY 14225:

- Saturday, June 5, 2010 – 12:00 pm (after Cub Basic Training)
- Monday, June 7, 2010 – 7:00 pm
- Wednesday, June 9, 2010 – 7:00 pm (during Program Launch)
- Tuesday, June 15, 2010 – 7:00 pm
- Saturday, June 19, 2010 – 12:00 pm (at lunch during Boy Scout Basic Training)
- Thursday, June 24, 2010 – 7:00 pm
- Wednesday, June 30, 2010 – 7:00 pm (during New Scout Orientation)

We also have a session scheduled at Camp Stonehaven - Albright Rd. in Lewiston, NY:

- Saturday, June 12, 2010 – 12:00 pm at (New Scout Orientation Day).

The schedule for July and August will be out the first of July, and we will have a schedule for the fall out at the end of August.

We hope that this provides everyone with enough opportunities to complete this training. We don't view this as a burden, but rather another opportunity to provide Scouts with the Best and Safest youth program in America.

For further information, please contact the Council Service Center, Monday - Friday during business hours, at 716-891-4073.