

New Troop Checklist

You should have completed the following:

- Online Volunteer Application (CouncilAlignMENT)
- Online Background Check
- Added your own membership to the online cart (CouncilAlignMENT)
- Registered your own Girl Scout including payment, registration is \$25

In the next week:

- Complete Girl Scouting 101 (gsmidtn.org)
- Completing Youth Protection (gsmidtn.org)
- Choose meeting day/time and location PRIOR to meeting with the parents
- Build your troop team (have parents sign up to lead meetings, bring snack, coordinate the Cookie season, have a troop job ,etc.)
- Host parent meeting
 - Collect uniform orders
 - Collect troop dues
 - Collect health history forms (required)

In the next 2 weeks:

- Apply for tax exemption status
- Your Regional Executive will reach out to with information on setting up the troop bank account
- Ensure all Girl Scouts are registered online (you can view your roster on CouncilAlignMENT → troop management → troop roster)

In the next month:

- Attend your first service unit meeting
- Purchase uniforms for troop

In the next 6 months:

- Someone who will attend every troop meeting should be certified in CPR/AED/ First Aid
- Attend a service unit or council-sponsored event

Girl Scout Year at a Glance

August

We're getting the new year of Girl Scout started by recruiting volunteers and girls. Troops plan their Girl Scout year out and get started. Fall Product sales start for returning troops.

September

Troops continue meeting and we continue to recruit and train new volunteers. New troops get started. Fall Product sales continue.

October

Fall Product sales end. October 1st the new Girl Scout year starts. October 31st is Founder's Day honoring Juliette Gordon Lows birthday!!

November

Troops keep meeting, attend a council sponsored program, go camping or plan for an upcoming trip.

December

Cookie training for everyone and cookie sales start. Host a holiday party with the troop to celebrate.

January

Cookie initial orders continue and are due. Cookies get picked up.

February

Cookie booths happen and cookie sales continue. World Thinking Day happens and girls celebrate WAGGGS.

March

Cookie sales end!!! Girl Scout week is the week of the 12th.

April

Girl Scout Leader's Day is April 22nd and leaders are celebrated all month long. Spring registration opens so you can get reregistered for the next Girl Scout year.

May

Have an end of the year party, bridging ceremony and celebrate!!

June

Summer camp starts!!!

July

Summer camp continues!!!