

Girl Scouts of Southern Alabama Honor Troop



The Honor Troop Program provides leaders with a tool to offer a quality troop program, which will aid in retention of Girl Scouts in troops. Discuss with the girls and adults in your troop the requirements to be an Honor Troop. Set troop goals using the Honor Troop program requirements and make a schedule for completing those goals. Keep in mind the following timeline:

- Turn in completed Honor Troop application to either council office or email to awards@girlscoutssa.org between April 1 and June 15.
- Upon notification from council staff that your troop is an Honor Troop, patches/strips may be purchased from the council shop.
- Your troop is a Girl Scouts of Southern Alabama Honor Troop for one year.

All registered troops of Girl Scouts of Southern Alabama are eligible to participate in the program. Girls may wear the patches/strips on the back of their uniform. Leaders may wear patches/strips on patch jackets, hats, tote bags, etc. Honor Troops may purchase the Honor Troop patch/strip for each girl and adult registered in the troop. The Honor Troop program is an ongoing program that begins each membership year in October.

Cost

\$2 per patch

Troop Information

Leader Name	Troop #	Service Unit
Address: Street	City/State/Zip	
Phone: Home #	Work #	Cell #
E-mail Address		
Grade Level	Grade Level	<input type="checkbox"/> Daisy <input type="checkbox"/> Brownie <input type="checkbox"/> Junior <input type="checkbox"/> Cadette <input type="checkbox"/> Senior <input type="checkbox"/> Ambassador
Honor Troop # years:		
<input type="checkbox"/>	1 <input type="checkbox"/>	2 <input type="checkbox"/>
	3 <input type="checkbox"/>	4 <input type="checkbox"/>
	5 <input type="checkbox"/>	6 <input type="checkbox"/>
	7 <input type="checkbox"/>	8 <input type="checkbox"/>
	9 <input type="checkbox"/>	10 <input type="checkbox"/>
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Requirements

Complete ALL activities from the “Required Activities” section and at least four activities from the “Additional Activities” section.

Activities are counted only once on an Honor Troop activity, but may be used toward earning Journeys, Badges, Patches, and other Girl Scout recognitions.

Activities may be completed in any order.

Required Activities

Registration

Complete all 3 requirements

- 1 Continuing troop re-registered by June 15 (Early Bird), with a minimum of twelve girls and two adults
-OR-
 Minimum five girls and two adults assisting with a younger girl sister troop
Sister Troop Leader's name:
-OR-
 A new troop registered within six weeks of being organized, with a minimum of twelve girls and two adults

- 2 Troop records for each girl including:
 Membership registration completed annually
 Annual permission form updated annually and submitted to Council
 Health and Medical Authorization form updated yearly
 Individual Girl Record updated throughout the year

- 3 Troop Committee Members who are registered and actively supporting the troop
Troop Leader's name:
Co-Leader's name:
Troop First Aider: Training Date:
Troop Camper*: Training Date:
Troop Emergency Contact**:
Additional Troop Committee Member/Position:
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*Troop Camper is only needed when camping overnight.

** Troop Emergency Contact is only needed when going on a trip.

Required Activities (continued)

Leader Responsibilities

Complete all 5 requirements

- 1 Leader Training
Troop Leader and Co-Leader must have completed the most current leader training requirements
Leader Name:
Dates completed: GS 101_____GSSA 201_____GSSA 301_____
Co-Leader Name:
Dates completed: GS 101_____GSSA 201_____GSSA 301_____

- 2 Service Unit Meeting Representation
Service Unit Manager Name:
Service Unit #
Meeting Date and Time:
Meeting Place:

- 3 Troop Funds
 Current ACH Form on file at council
 Troop funds deposited into the Troop's Bank Account
 Troop financial records maintained and posted on Troop VTK page
 Troop has no outstanding council debt

- 4 Troop Reports
Deadlines must be met for:
 Annual Troop Financial Statement submitted electronically by June 15
Must be turned in before or with Honor Troop Application
 Product Sales Reports
 Overnight Trip/Camping Applications
 Money Earning Applications and Reports

- 5 Troop Resources
 Utilize and observe *Safety Activity Checkpoints* and *GSSA Policies and Procedures* during troop activities.
 Use VTK, Journey books, leader's guides, and *Girl's Guide to Girl Scouting* handbooks throughout the year.

Required Activities (continued)

Troop Program Requirements

Complete all 7 requirements

- 1 Traditional Ceremony
Participate in two or more of the following; give dates:
 Investiture/Rededication Ceremony Date:
 Scouts' Own Date:
 Court of Awards Date:
 Fly-Up/Bridging Date:
- 2 Service Project
Complete two community service projects (one for Daisy Troops)
Date:
Description:

Date:
Description:
- 3 Special Girl Scout Activity
Participate in at least one Girl Scout activity
 Juliette Low's Birthday (October 31)
 Girl Scout Sabbath (March)
 Girl Scout Sunday (March)
 Girl Scout Birthday (March 12)
 Other Special Activity
Date:
Description:
- 4 Council-Sponsored Product Sales
Participate in both Council-Sponsored Product Sales (one for Daisy troops)
 Fall Product Sale
 Cookie Sale
- 5 Girl Scout Promise and Law
Complete one of the following:
 All troop members can recite the Girl Scout Promise together.
 Talk about and understand the meaning of each part of the Law.
 All Daisy troop members had the opportunity to earn the Promise center and all Learning petals.
- 6 Troop Government
Use system of troop government that encourages girl planning and participation.
 Daisy Circle
 Town Meeting
 Brownie
 Steering Committee
 Patrol System
- 7 Troop Advancement
Each girl registered in the troop (prior to February 1) should have the opportunity to :
 Daisy: Complete one Journey or earn 2 Daisy Badges
 Brownies: Complete one Journey OR earn 3 Brownie Badges
 Junior: Complete one Journey OR earn 3 Junior Badges OR earn the Bronze Award
 Cadette: Complete one Journey OR earn 3 Cadette Badges OR earn the Silver Award
 Senior: Complete one Journey OR earn 3 Senior Badges OR earn the Gold Award
 Ambassador: Complete one Journey OR earn 3 Ambassador Badges OR earn the Gold Award

Additional Activities

Complete at least 4 of the 7 numbered activities

- 1 Juliette Low World Friendship Fund (JLWFF)
Learn about the JLWFF and make a contribution.
Amount of donation \$
Date given to council:

- 2 Patriotism
Honor your country by performing a flag ceremony or taking part in a patriotic program/event.
Do one or more of the following:
 Flag ceremony location
 Patriotic program or event
 Place flags in cemeteries for patriotic holidays
 Participate in a patriotic parade
 Write a letter to an elected official thanking them for their support of Girl Scouts
 Write a letter to a member of the armed forces and thank them for their service to our country
 Write a letter to a local first responder to thank them for their service to our community
 Create your own patriotic troop activity
Date:
Description:

- 3 International Girl Scouting
Participate in at least one of the following international Girl Scout activities:
 Plan or participate in a Thinking Day (Feb 22) celebration with your Service Unit or troop
Date:
Description:

 Learn about Girl Guiding in another country
 Learn about the World Association Pin
 Create your own international activity
Date:
Description:

- 4 Outdoor Activity
Participate in at least one outdoor activity during the year. **Council events may not be used to fulfill this requirement.**
Examples: Sports, hike, cookout, camping trip, exploring the neighborhood around your meeting place or service project.
Date:
Activity:
Description:

- 5 Troop Field Trips
Take one Field Trip pertaining to Journeys or Badges away from the regular troop meeting place. **Council events may not be used to fulfill this requirement.**
Date:
Activity:
Description:

Additional Activities (continued)

6 Inter-Troop, Sister Troop or Group Activities

Participate in at least two of the following with another troop or group:

Share a meeting

Share a guest speaker

Share a party

Share a career activity

Share a service project

Share a troop outing

Service Unit or council event, except those already counted on another requirement

Create your own activity and describe

Date:

Activity:

Description:

7 Troop Community Outreach

Make a troop or individual scrapbook and share it with people outside of a troop meeting

Write thank you notes to everyone helping with the troop

Have at least one activity per year where Girl Scouts can be shared with family, friends and/or the community

Recruit new girls to join Girl Scouting by inviting non-Girl Scout girls to participate in a troop or Bring-a-Friend activity

Date:

Activity:

Description:

Plan and participate in a family event:

Date:

Activity:

Description:

Participate in an event to share Girl Scouts with the community (preferably in uniform)

Create your own activity:

Date:

Activity:

Description: