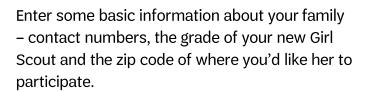


Volunteer Systems "How To" Joining Girl Scouts!

WELCOME! Girl Scouts are always counting down the days to the next adventure they'll go on together. Maybe it's something artistic. Maybe it's a science experiment. Maybe it's getting outside and helping the community. The possibilities are endless and you'll make a bunch of new friends who are just as excited as you are. Together, you'll find out that you're capable of more than you ever imagined. Whether you participate as part of a traditional Girl Scout troop, or as an Individually Registered Member (IRM) where you can explore badges at your own pace, or if you just want to attend fun Girl Scout programs - here's how you get started!

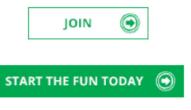
Joining Girl Scouts as a Girl!

You will want to start by exploring the gshnj.org website if you haven't already. Here you can find tons of information for interested girls and volunteers about the great stuff Girl Scouts do every day. From the website, click on any of the JOIN links on the website – you'll see them on many of the pages.



Clicking CONTINUE will allow you to search a listing of troops at her grade level nearby that have room for new girls.

If you know the number of a troop you are interested in, just enter it into the first search box. If you want to see what troops are available, enter a zip code and a radius that you are willing to drive to participate. If you want to be an IRM, enter your home zip code.







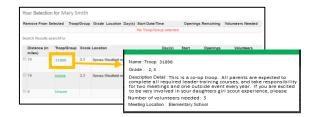


At the bottom of the page you'll see the specific troop you searched for, or troops that meet within the radius you selected. You can see what grades participate in the troop, and when they meet so you can choose a troop that fits your family's calendar. You will also see the options to be an Individually Registered Member (IRM) and 'Unsure'.



IMPORTANT NOTES: Your search may be large enough to find troops in neighboring towns and even different Girl Scout Councils. We think it is great to make new friends in different places!

Click the **GREEN** troop number to view a description of that troop. *Troops may have special requirements* or limitations so you should make sure you know these before signing up!



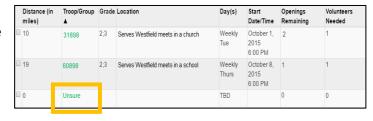
Once you find that perfect troop, click the checkbox next to the troop number and that troop will pop up to the "Your Selection for..." section of the screen. Click NEXT and continue with purchasing a membership.



IMPORTANT: Please only select one troop!

You may want to join independently by selecting 'Individually Registered Member'. With the help of a special adult, your scout can earn badges, sell cookies, and attend fun girl programs following her own interests and at her own pace.

If you can't to find a troop, choose UNSURE from the list. You'll have a chance to tell us why and someone will be in touch to help! If you don't see UNSURE – click on the TROOP/GROUP header to resort the list so UNSURE comes to the top.



If troops are not available, **maybe you want to be a leader** to share Girl Scouting with your special girl and others in your community. If You'd like to know more you can check out our website at gshnj.org and click on Volunteer at the top of our home page for information, and how to get started..

Thank you for your interest in Girl Scouts. At GSHNJ we love helping our girls be G.I.R.L.s – Go-getters, Innovators, Risk-takers, and Leaders and making our world a better place every step of the way!