



Volunteer Essentials 2017-18

Following is a summary of changes to the October 2017 edition of Volunteer Essentials.

Updates from GSUSA

National Leadership Journey pages have been updated to reflect new Journeys released in August 2017. “What Girls Do” pages have been removed.

Digital Programming, Make Your Own Badge, My Promise My Faith, and Spanish Language resource references have been removed.

Recommended troop sizes have been added:

- Daisies – 5-12 girls
- Brownies – 10-20 girls
- Juniors – 10-25 girls
- Cadettes – 5-25 girls
- Senior and Ambassador – 5-30 girls

Girl Scout Safety Guidelines in chapter 5 have been expanded to include common elements from Safety Activity Checkpoints.

New Product Sales Program Safety section.

New Computer/Online Safety section.

Girl Scouts ATL Updates

Annual Fund contact phone numbers have been updated. Recommended ask of \$50 per girl has been changed to \$25 per girl.

“Setting Up a Troop Web Site” removed – information was duplicated from new Computer/Online Safety section.

Updated links to event applications and training

Updated At-A-Glance guidelines for activities including adventure courses, indoor skydiving, indoor trampolines, and paddleboards

Updated links to cruise and global travel Safety Activity Checkpoints.

Resident Camp section renamed to Sleepaway Camp for consistency. Pine Valley removed from chart of resident camps/amentities.

Notation added to chart of troop camp amenities: All camp activities at Camp Pine Valley are self-directed. Staff support is not available at this time.

Adult Health History forms are recommended, not required for troop activities.