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Effective June 1, 2010, the BSA implemented mandatory Youth Protection training 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 the application is made and before volunteer service with youth begins.

Youth Protection training must be taken every two years. Beginning with this renewal cycle, all direct contact leaders' Youth Protection training records must be current at the time of recharter, or the volunteer will not be reregistered. The following position codes are defined as direct contact leaders: CM, CA, TL, DL, DA, WL, WA, SM, SA, 10, VC, VA, NL, NA, SK, MT, EA, AA, 42, 49, 88, 96, E38, and E46.

To ensure these policies are fully implemented, please take the following steps before beginning the rechartering process:

- Review the YPT Y or N indicator located under Gender for each adult leader listed on the Charter Renewal Roster.
- If a unit leader has not taken Youth Protection training within the past two years, they need to log on to MyScouting and take the training. They will need to make sure that their member ID is listed on their MyScouting profile. The number can be found on their Boy Scouts of America membership card and on the Charter Renewal Roster.
- If they took Youth Protection training online but did not input their member ID number, they should log back on to MyScouting and input their member ID so the training will be linked with their records.
- If they have taken Youth Protection training within the past two years but did not take the course online, leaders can still log on to MyScouting to ensure that their training records are up-to-date, or contact the council and have them verify that the Youth Protection training record is accurate.

Any training taken online or updates made to the council's database after the roster has been loaded in Internet Rechartering will not be reflected in the Internet Rechartering process. A copy of the Youth Protection training certificate should be provided with the completed recharter paperwork.

Youth Protection training is available online at http://www.scouting.org/Training/YouthProtection.aspx.

To find out more about the Youth Protection policies of the Boy Scouts of America and how to help Scouting keep your family safe, see the information available in any of the Cub Scout or Boy Scout handbooks, or go to http://www.scouting.org/Training/YouthProtection.aspx.

Thank you for your commitment to our nation's young people and to Scouting.