

What parents need to know about the
2010 Girl Scout Cookie Program



Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois – Rockford Service Center
2101 Auburn St
Rockford, IL 61103

Cookie Kick-Offs – January 8 – each Service Unit will have a location
7 P.M. Order Cards will be handed out

Cookie Sell Dates – January 8-24

Delivery Dates – February 13-28

Cost - \$3.50 a box

Checks made payable to: Girl Scouts

There will be a troop penalty of \$25 per girl reported selling early. This will come out of the troop cookie profits and will affect troop activities. Please be responsible and teach your girls to go by the rules, which are set up to make it fair for all.

Safety First – Safety is always first in Girl Scouting. Use the buddy system for door-to-door sales. Adults must supervise.

Ads may NOT be placed in the newspaper. Cookies may NOT be sold on eBay or on Craig's List.
Posters may be posted on January 8 – no sooner.

E-mail, Facebook, MySpace, and other similar online sites may be used to obtain cookie orders. There is an information sheet from Girl Scouts of USA called the 411 on Online Marketing. It is downloadable on our website – www.girlscoutsni.org. Please review to make sure you are going by the GSUSA Guidelines.

What you can do to help your Girl Scout:

- 1- Attend Troop Training/Rally
- 2- Help her set goals – use Goal Setter at <http://www.abcsmartcookies.com/catchlogin.asp> there are many fun activities on the website also.
- 3- Review safety with her
- 4- Email family and friends – let them know when sales start
- 5- Attend your Service Unit Cookie Kick-Off

Special date – January 16-17 – Leap 2 Lead Together – The girls can receive a together patch for going out to sell with a special person in their life. Leader has information for you.

Requirements:

- 1- Girl MUST be a registered (paid the \$12.00 National Registration fee) Girl Scout BEFORE December 15, 2009
- 2- Parent Permission slip MUST be signed and returned to leader/manager before Girl Scout can receive her order card on January 8, 7 P.M.

By signing the permission slip you agree to be responsible for payment of all cookies sold by your Girl Scout. Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois will send non-payments to collections.

HIGHLY recommended: if parents of Girl Scout are divorced/separated both parents should sign permission slips and pick-up own cookies. Reason being, if one parent signs for all cookies and the other parent does not pay their portion, the parent that signed is the responsible party and Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois will send to collections the parent that signed.