

**Application**



TROOP NO. \_\_\_\_\_ LEVEL \_\_\_\_\_

*The Honor Troop plan was designed to help troops plan a balanced year-long program. The requirements should help the troop in planning its activities and be part of its overall program.*

**HONOR TROOP REQUIREMENTS**

- The troop leadership team should complete and accurately record the dates (*month, day and year*) and activities that fulfill the requirements during the period of July 1, 2011, through June 30, 2012. Complete information is needed, and requirements must be finished *before* the troop submits the application. Unless otherwise noted, more than one activity may be done on the same date. **Put a check mark beside each completed activity.**
- Paperwork must be submitted between June 14 and July 13, 2012. You may pick up your patches and/or strips when you submit your completed application at any Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois shop location. Patches and/or strips may also be ordered by mail (with a shipping fee).
- **Please Note:** All girls and adults earning Honor Troop for the first time may purchase the Honor Troop patch and the year bar. After the first year, girls and adults buy only the year bar.
- This is a troop project. Each member of the troop, including registered adults, is eligible to wear the patch/strips, regardless of whether not she has participated in all of the requirements. This is a council program and patches/strips should be worn on the *back* of the badge sash, vest, or other patch jacket.
- Girl Scout Daisy troops must fulfill a minimum of 20 of the requirements listed.
- Girl Scout Brownie, Junior, Cadette, Senior, and Ambassador troops must fulfill a minimum of 25 of the requirements listed.
- The 10 starred (\*) requirements are mandatory for all troops.

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- \*1.a. Girl Scout Daisy—As a troop, be able to recite the Girl Scout Promise.
  - b. Girl Scout Brownies, Juniors, Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors—As a troop, be able to recite and demonstrate an understanding of the Girl Scout Promise and Law.

- \*2. All troops are required to have two trained adult leaders who have completed the online orientation, Volunteer Essentials, Leadership Essentials and Girl Scouting 101.

Name of Adults	Date of Training (Month/Year)

- \*3. A minimum of two adults have been present at all troop meetings and outings.

- \*4. Girls actively participate in troop government.
- \*5. The girls in the troop have planned and executed a significant portion of activities appropriate to their age level (i.e., special trip, sports day, dinners).

Describe Girls' Portion of Planning: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

- \*6. The troop participated in at least one community service project. NOTE: It is recommended that service projects be those where the girls are physically doing or making something for someone in the community. This may be the council-wide service project. (Reminder: Girl Scouts may not raise money for other groups. This includes ringing bells for The Salvation Army.)

Project (Describe)	Type of Group Served
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

- \*7. Troop financial statement was turned in to service unit managers **on or before June 15, 2012.**

Date Turned In: \_\_\_\_\_

- \*8. Following the *Safety Activity Checkpoints*, leaders discussed safety/emergency rules with their troops for all meetings, field trips and overnights.

- \*9. The troop completed a Journey by earning all of the awards associated with the Journey.

Name of Journey: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date Completed: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Description of Take Action Project: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

- \*10. At least 50% of the troop participated in one of GSNI's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Event activities.

- 11. The troop participated in at least two service unit or inter-troop events. (At least 50% of the troop must attend the event to qualify.)

Name/Description of Event #1: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name/Description of Event #2: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

- 12. A leader or adult troop representative has attended at least 75% of the service unit meetings.

- 13. The troop participated in at least one GSNI patch or badge program. (GSNI patch or badge requirements can be found on GSNI's website.)

Patch or Badge Program: \_\_\_\_\_

**The troop focused on achieving at least two outcomes under each leadership key, as outlined in the *Transforming Leadership* book.**

14. **Discover**—Girls understand themselves and their values and use their knowledge and skills to explore the world.

Outcome # \_\_\_\_\_

Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicators/Signs: \_\_\_\_\_

Outcome # \_\_\_\_\_

Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicators/Signs: \_\_\_\_\_

15. **Connect**—Girls care about, inspire, and team with others locally and globally.

Outcome # \_\_\_\_\_

Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicators/Signs: \_\_\_\_\_

Outcome # \_\_\_\_\_

Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicators/Signs: \_\_\_\_\_

16. **Take Action**—Girls act to make the world a better place.

Outcome # \_\_\_\_\_

Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicators/Signs: \_\_\_\_\_

Outcome # \_\_\_\_\_

Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicators/Signs: \_\_\_\_\_

17. At least two outdoor activities (i.e., sports, hikes, cookouts, nature activities, sledding, stargazing, night hikes, hayrides) on different dates were included in the troop program. (An adult trained in Field Trip Basics may be required.)

Outdoor Activity #1: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Outdoor Activity #2: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

18. Girl Scout Daisy Troops—40% of the troop participated in day/twilight camp.  
Girl Scout Brownie Troops—60% of the troop participated in day/twilight camp or at least one overnight camping experience.  
Girl Scout Junior, Cadette, Senior, Ambassador Troops—60% of the troop participated in at least one camping experience such as troop camping or day camp.

Camping Event Attended: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Camping Event Location: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of Girls Attended: \_\_\_\_\_

19. Parent Involvement—Parents participated in at least three separate troop activities during the year (i.e., chaperoning, Troop Committee, events, sharing a skill, etc.).

Activities:	Number of Parents Involved:
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

20. The troop retained 80% of its members during the troop year (not including those who moved or graduated from high school).

21. The troop invited a girl or girls who were **non-Girl Scouts** to a Girl Scout event.  
Describe Event: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

22. Membership in the troop was increased during the current membership year by at least one new member to Girl Scouts of the USA or two girls who were previously registered as Girl Scouts but are new to the troop this year.

Name(s) of New Members: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

23. Girl Scout Daisy troop is made up of more than 8 girls. Girl Scout Brownie and Junior Troops are made up of 12 or more members. Girl Scout Cadette, Senior, and Ambassador Troops are made up of 8 or more girls. A mixed-level troop is made up of 10 or more girls.

Level:	Number of Girls:
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

24. The troop participated in at least one activity dealing with international understanding, such as a Thinking Day activity (February 22).  
Activity: \_\_\_\_\_
25. The troop participated in at least one activity for one of the following Girl Scout days: Juliette Low's birthday (October 31), Girl Scout birthday (March 12), Girl Scout Sabbath/Sunday (in March).  
Activity: \_\_\_\_\_
26. The troop took part in a recruitment event or community expo (other than a service project) which promoted Girl Scouts in your community. (For example, made posters for display, decorated a shop window for a Girl Scout holiday, made a banner for a library or other public place, wrote an article for a newspaper, made a public service announcement for radio or television, participated in a parade, etc.).  
Activity: \_\_\_\_\_

**Requirements for Activities 27 through 33 can be found in *The Girl's Guide to Girl Scouting*.**

27. Girl Scout Daisy Troops—The troop has earned the Promise Center (first year only) and at least five of the Daisy petals this year.  
Girl Scout Brownie, Junior, Cadette, and Senior and Ambassador Troops—The troop has earned at least two Legacy badges this year.  
Badge #1: \_\_\_\_\_  
Badge #2: \_\_\_\_\_
28. Girl Scout Brownie, Junior, Cadette, and Senior troops—The troop has earned at least two Skill Builder badges this year.  
Badge #1: \_\_\_\_\_  
Badge #2: \_\_\_\_\_
29. Girl Scout Daisy Troops earned a Financial Literacy Leaf.
30. Girl Scout Brownie, Junior, Cadette, Senior and Ambassador Troops earned a Financial Literacy Badge.
31. Girl Scout Daisy Troops earned a Cookie Business Leaf.
32. Girl Scout Brownie, Junior, Cadette, Senior and Ambassador Troops earned a Cookie Business Badge.
33. At least 50% of the troop earned the My Promise, My Faith Award.
34. The troop used one of GSNI's camps for an overnight or day activity (other than a service unit or council event).  
Camp: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

35. At least one member of the troop earned her Girl Scout Bronze, Silver or Gold Award this membership year.

36. At least 50% of the members of the troop participated in at least one (not necessarily the same) council-sponsored event or series from the program booklet/GSNI website.

Council-Sponsored Event or Series: \_\_\_\_\_

37. At least two girls attended one of GSNI's resident camps.

Camp Session and Location(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

38. Girl Scout Daisy, Brownie, Junior Troops—The troop had an older Girl Scout who is a trained program aide share a skill with them. (Please Note: Program aides are Girl Scout Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors who are trained to help troops learn special skills.)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Skill: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

39. Girl Scout Cadette, Senior and Ambassador Troops—The troop had at least one trained program aide teach a skill to a younger troop. (Can include day/twilight camp.)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Skill: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

40. Girl Scout Cadette Troops had at least one girl earn her Leadership in Action (LiA) Award by helping a Brownie troop complete a Journey.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ LiA Award: \_\_\_\_\_

41. Leaders used council resources (i.e., Program-in-a-Box, council equipment, adult enrichment training, ExistINTS).

Resource Used: \_\_\_\_\_

42. The troop contributed an average of \$10 or more per girl to the Family Partnership Campaign.



# 2012 HONOR TROOP ORDER FORM

Patches Available June 14, 2012

Troop # \_\_\_\_\_ Program Level \_\_\_\_\_ Service Unit \_\_\_\_\_

The troop worked on these requirements from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_  
(Month/Year) (Month/Year)

**Bring your application to any Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois shop location to buy patches. Or, to have the patches mailed to you, fill out the form below and mail it with your payment to your local Girl Scout shop.**

\_\_\_\_\_ Honor Troop Patches x \$1.50 (First-Year Participants) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Number)

\_\_\_\_\_ 2012 Year Bars x \$1.00 \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Number)

Shipping Charge \$ 1.50

Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

**We verify that our troop/group has completed the requirements to earn the Honor Troop patch.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Leader Signature (Required)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Leader Signature (Required)

Elgin Council Shop  
12N124 Coombs Road  
Elgin, IL 60124  
847-741-5521

Freeport Council Shop  
5040 Business Rt. 20 West  
Freeport, IL 61032  
815-235-8777

Girl Scout Express  
200 Applebee Street  
Barrington, IL60010  
847-741-5521, Ext. 7152

Rockford Council Shop  
2820 McFarland Road  
Rockford, IL 61107  
815-962-5591

Sugar Grove Council Shop  
200 New Bond Street  
Sugar Grove, IL 60554  
630-897-1565