



SLEEPING ARRANGEMENTS FORM For Travel/Trips

Some of the most memorable moments in a Girl Scout's life happen while taking trips. Travel offers a wealth of opportunities for Girl Scouts to develop leadership, confidence, and practical life skills.

In Girl Scout traveling or trips, there are times when sleeping accommodations for youth may be limited. In those instances, there may be a time when Girl Scouts are asked to share a bed with another Girl Scout. GSNI requests that parents/caregivers sign this release allowing their Girl Scouts to share a bed with another Girl Scout if youth sleeping accommodations are limited.

GSUSA ***Safety Activity Checkpoint for Travel/Trips*** stipulates that the following guidelines be followed:

- **Adults are not required to sleep in the same space** (i.e., hotel room) as Girl Scouts; if they do, there should be at least two unrelated female adults in the room.
- **Each participant has their own bed.** Parent/caregiver permission must be obtained if they are to share a bed.
- **Reduce the likelihood of spreading illness** by keeping beds six feet apart, and/or sleeping head-to-toe, when possible.
- **Girl Scouts and adults do not share bed.** However, GSNI does make exceptions for female family members and their Girl Scouts.
- **An exception** is made for family members during events such as parent-Girl Scout or family overnights, where one family may sleep together in an area specifically designated to accommodate families.
- **Males will not sleep in the same space as youth members.** An exception is made for family members during events such as parent-Girl Scout or family overnights where one family may sleep together in an area specifically designated to accommodate families. If possible, men should have their own designated bathroom. If a unisex bathroom is used, the door must have a working lock, or a system for notifying others that the bathroom is in use. This system should be reviewed and understood by all participants. When traveling or camping, men should not have to walk through the youth sleeping area to get to the bathroom. Men must stay in a tent or a cabin that is separate from the Girl Scouts or women.
- For additional information on sleeping accommodations, see [Travel/Trips Safety Activity Checkpoint](#).

I understand the guidelines above and agree to allow my Girl Scout to share a bed, if youth sleeping accommodations are limited, as stipulated above if the situation presents itself.

This form must be signed by both the Girl Scout and the parent/caregiver.

Girl Scout's Name (printed)

Girl Scout's Signature

Date

Parent/Caregiver's Approval Signature

Date