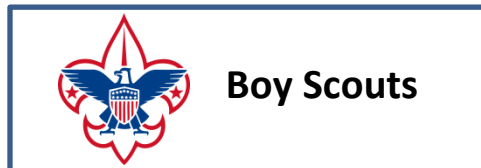


Scouts and Child Protection Mandates

If you charter a Scout troop in your parish or a scout troop uses your facilities for meetings, please note the following. These requirements were decided after consulting with the Scouting offices/officials of both the Boy and Girl Scouts.



Beginning with the revised (September, 2015) child protection policy, we are accepting the clearances, training, etc. that is done by the Boy Scouts of America. As long as they are **registered adults** with the Boy Scouts of America and present some type of documentation to that affect that, they are in compliance with diocesan mandates. Please keep a copy of the documentation presented by each adult indicating that they are registered members of the Boy Scouts of America.



Adults involved in Girl Scouts will need the following:

1. Copies of or verification from the Girl Scout Office of:
 - PA State Police Criminal Record Check (every five years)
 - PA Dept. of Public Welfare Child Abuse History Certification (every five years)
 - Federal Criminal Record Check (**IF** not a Pennsylvania resident for the previous continuous ten years)
2. Also
 - Completion of diocesan *Creating a Safe Environment* online inservice (every five years) [the Girl Scout organization does not require any inservicing on child abuse/safe environment, so they must complete the Diocesan online inservice]