



**NEW - Received from the National Council, BSA on May 28, 2010**

## **Youth Protection Required as of June 1, 2010**

***Safety is the Number 1 concern of the BSA***

To increase awareness of this societal problem and to create even greater barriers to abuse than those that already exist today in Scouting, the Boy Scouts of America is implementing several important changes to further enhance its Youth Protection policies:

### **Effective June 1, 2010:**

1. Youth Protection Training is required for all registered volunteers.
2. 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 application is made and before volunteer service with youth begins.
3. Youth Protection Training must be taken every two years. If a volunteer's Youth Protection Training record is not current at the time of charter renewal, the volunteer will not be reregistered.

### **To ensure these policies are implemented, please take the following steps:**

#### **For new, unregistered leaders**

Log on to [www.MyScouting.org](http://www.MyScouting.org) and create an account. Take the Youth Protection training and print out your certificate of completion. Turn that certificate in, along with your adult leader application to complete your BSA registration. Unit Committee Chairs should make sure the certificate is attached to any new adult leader applications.

#### **For current leaders**

If you have not taken Youth Protection Training within the past two years, please log on to [www.MyScouting.org](http://www.MyScouting.org) and take the training. Be sure to have your member ID number. The number can be found on your Boy Scouts of America membership card. If you do not know your member ID number, contact your unit leader or committee chairman. Your council can also assist you. If your unit uses Internet Advancement, the ID numbers can be found there.

If you have taken Youth Protection Training online but did not input your member ID number, please log back on to the Training section of [www.MyScouting.org](http://www.MyScouting.org) and input your member ID so the training will be linked with your records.

If you have taken Youth Protection Training within the past two years but did not take the course online, log on to [www.MyScouting.org](http://www.MyScouting.org) to ensure your records are up to date, or contact your council and have them verify that your Youth Protection Training records are accurate.

**Youth Protection Training information and policies are available online at**  
<http://www.scouting.org/Training/YouthProtection.aspx>.