



Registration FAQ for Families

What is registration vs. rechartering?

Scouts and adults register the first time they join the Boy Scouts of America and then again, every year at the end of the calendar year for the next upcoming year. Recharter is the annual process at the end of the calendar year when scouts and scouters confirm and pay for registration for the upcoming year. Recharter is typically when unit rosters and adult positions are checked and adjusted if necessary.

What do you pay to register with the BSA annually?

You pay an annual fee that includes national registration and the council program fee. **Your Pack or Troop may also have their own separate annual dues.**

If your child would like to receive SCOUT LIFE magazine, the subscription is \$15 per year, paid upon registering and then resubscribed and paid each year during recharter.

NOTE: some Packs and Troops may bundle the national, council, and unit dues into one fee.

The annual national and council fees for youth in 2024 are \$150 (fee includes \$80 for the National BSA membership/insurance and \$70 for CCCBSA Program Fee).

Registered adults pay \$90 annually for 2024 (fee includes \$60 for the National BSA membership/insurance and \$30 for CCCBSA Program Fee).

What do adults need to submit to register with the BSA?

Youth Protection Training (YPT)

All adult members (except IH/EO who are not in any other position) must have current YPT training. The Chester County Council Executive Board requires all registered adults to have YPT valid through the last day of the Recharter period in order to register (**resulting in YPT to be taken yearly**). Each Volunteer and Staff member must have **taken YPT in 2023** to be valid for the entire 2024 Year.

Signed Adult Application

- New adult applications must be signed by the applicant and the pack or troop's Charter Org Rep.
- Be sure the adult applicants sign the Background Check Authorization page (CBC form).

Unless it is during recharter, adults who are changing roles in a Pack or Troop need to fill out a NEW application which gets signed by the unit's Charter Org Rep (COR). For already registered adults, roles can be changed in my.scouting.org by the COR.



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Current PA Mandated Background Checks

There are 3 PA clearances required (PA State Police, PA Child Abuse History, and FBI) and each is considered “current” for 5 years from the issue date. Volunteers are able to obtain the PA background checks for free. For links and more information, go to: <https://www.cccbsa.org/resources/pa-background-checks>.

Submit clearances to the Self-Service CCCBSA Clearance Portal: clearances.cccbsa.org.

Maryland Residents

Maryland residents do not need to submit PA clearances, only the [MD Waiver](#). These waivers do not expire.

Is financial aid available?

Yes!

Funds are available to help offset annual youth fees for families in need of financial assistance. [Unit leaders use this form to send to a family](#), or [families can request directly with this form](#). Assistance be requested for up to \$70 per Scout.