



# Be a *Super Troop* AND EARN A PATCH!

According to girl and parent feedback, the most successful Girl Scout troops have lots of variety in their Girl Scout experience! Aim to include as many of these activities in your calendar plan for the year. Ask the parents in the troop to pick one activity they can help you organize.

Earn your free patch when you complete the ten elements of a Super Troop from July 1 -June 30 and complete the online survey between May 1 - July 15. One survey per troop, please.



Host a parent meeting  
or intro meeting



Create a VTK  
Year Plan



Complete four badges  
or other earned awards



Participate in Product  
Program



One outdoor  
adventure



Attend Community  
Meetings



One field trip or  
Girl Scout event



One service project or  
Take Action Project



Participate in  
Girl Scout traditions



Renew during  
Early Bird

Share Your Success —Send photos of your Super Troop to [customercare@girlscouts-swtx.org](mailto:customercare@girlscouts-swtx.org) with the subject line SUPER TROOP. Please include community name, troop number, grade level & description of the activity. NOTE: Photos may be used in social media or publications--make sure you have photo release permission from all individuals before sending photos.

 2022 Super Troop Patch ▶▶▶



## Super Troop FAQs

Q: What time frame can we complete all the activities required?

A: Please only count activities your troop did starting July 1 and will have completed by June 30.

Q: When will we receive our patches?

A: Super Troop Patches will be ordered from our vendor AFTER the survey closes on July 15.

Late submissions for Super Troop patches will not be accepted. Please allow 4-6 weeks for the vendor to process the patch order. We will email the volunteer who submitted the survey when Super Troop patches are ready for pick up.

Q: Not all girls did all the activities with the troop; can they still get the patch?

A: If they still did all the requirements, yes. You only have to list what you did as a troop for the survey.

Q: Can an activity requirement be completed virtually?

A: Yes!

Q: What if an activity was canceled or postponed due to COVID-19?

A: We understand that some super troop activities were canceled/postponed due to COVID-19 & this may have prevented your troop from completing all of the activities. If this happened to your activity, write COVID-19 CREDIT in the activity description & explain what you originally planned.

Q: We completed all but one requirement; can we still get the patch?

A: You must complete all requirements to receive the Super Troop patch. See info regarding COVID-19 CREDIT above.

Q: Do fun patches count for earned badges and awards?

A: No. The badges and awards should include GSUSA badges, the Bronze, Silver and Gold awards, Cookie entrepreneur pin, Journeys, and CIT or PA pins.

Q: Do we have to do Fall Nut and Cookie Program for participating in Product Program?

A: You can do just one or both-it is up to the girls!

Q: Does the outdoor adventure have to be overnight camping?

A: No. Outdoor overnight camping does count, but the outdoor adventure could be a hike at a state park, a day camp activity, etc.

Q: What happens at a Community Meeting?

A: Community Meetings are a place to find out about council and community level events, receive support from other leaders and more. Meetings can be attended in person or virtually. If you are unsure of when and where meetings take place, contact [customercare@girlscouts-swtx.org](mailto:customercare@girlscouts-swtx.org). Meetings can be attended by co-leaders, troop helpers, or registered parents.

Q: Can an activity count towards multiple requirements, such as an outdoor field trip?

A: An activity can only count once—choose the category that best fits.

Q: What counts for a field trip or Girl Scout Event?

A: Events sponsored by GSUSA, Girl Scouts of Southwest Texas or your local Community, or trips away from your usual meeting location will fulfil the requirement.

Q: What counts for the Girl Scout Tradition?

A: Juliette Gordon Low's birthday/Founder's Day (October 31), Girl Scout Birthday & Week, World Thinking Day (February 22), Girl Scout Leadership Day (April 22), Bridging Ceremony, Reciting the Girl Scout Promise and/or Law at meetings, Girl Scouts' Own, Flag Ceremonies, making and exchanging SWAPS, Friendship Circle at meetings, etc.

Q: Why do we have to renew during Early Bird?

A: Super Troops go above and beyond what normal troops do, including renewing early!