

## **Required Camping Certifications**

If you are camping overnight OR doing outdoor cooking OR having a campfire:

- ONE adult must have completed Girl Scouts Nation’s Capital’s cookout/campout training.
- A SECOND adult must be certified in first aid/CPR.
- Volunteers add these roles to their profiles on My GS.

## **Where to find/how to register for training:**

Find available trainings through [gscnc.org/events](https://gscnc.org/events) or [gsLearn](https://gsLearn.org). Registration for trainings is through [gsEvents](https://gsEvents.org) – access through your [myGS portal](https://myGS.org).

- gsLearn Cookout/Campout course = 204 Cookout & Campout
- gsLearn First aid course = 204 First Aid

Keep a record of training dates – you’ll need them when making reservations. Proof of completion must be submitted to [gsLearn](https://gsLearn.org).

## **Making Reservations**

A step-by-step guide for how to make a reservation can be found at [gscnc.org/campproperties](https://gscnc.org/campproperties) (under “Know Before You Go”).

**Reservation Website:** Access our camping reservation website (DoubleKnot) through [gscnc.org/campproperties](https://gscnc.org/campproperties) ([gscnc.org](https://gscnc.org) → Camp → Our Camp Properties).

- This webpage details our 8 camp properties.
- Reservation links are under each camp. Read the tutorial listed above for more information.
- Reservations open exactly 3 months in advance at the exact time the reservation begins. Overnight reservations begin at 3 PM. EX: overnight reservations starting on April 1 open on January 1 at 3 PM.
- DoubleKnot is **NOT** connected to your myGS account. You will need to create an account the first time you make a camping reservation.
- There is a small fee for overnight reservations (see [Facilities Charts](https://gscnc.org/campproperties) for prices).
- Day use reservations are **FREE**.

**IMPORTANT:** Your campsite reservation confirmation email from [noreply@doubleknot.com](mailto:noreply@doubleknot.com) includes a downloadable confirmation packet under the receipt – **READ IT IN ITS ENTIRETY.**

## **Explore Camp Patch Program**

Get your Girl Scouts ready for camping through the Explore Camp Patch Program. This program encourages Girl Scouts to explore the outdoors, take part in Girl Scout traditions, and discover the unique features of each of our eight camp properties. Girl Scouts completing this patch program will hone their eight basic outdoor skills, which help improve outdoor literacy and support positive, environmentally friendly outdoor experiences.

Girl Scouts first earn the main patch, which serves as an introduction to the eight basic outdoor skills & Girl Scout traditions. After completing the main patch, Girl Scouts can earn the other eight patches, each of which focuses on a Nation’s Capital camp property.

For more information, visit [gscnc.org/explorecamp](https://gscnc.org/explorecamp).

## **Camping Information Resources**

- [gscnc.org/camp](https://gscnc.org/camp) – explore our various camping web pages. Information abounds!
- [Volunteer Essentials](https://gscnc.org/volunteeressentials) – see pages about camping, camping rules and resources, camp maps and facilities charts.
- [Safety Activity Checkpoints](https://gscnc.org/safetyactivitycheckpoints) – general safety rules (in introduction) and activity-specific guidelines.
- [Camp Facilities Charts and Maps](https://gscnc.org/campfacilitieschartsandmaps) – information about each campsite’s amenities and per-night prices. Located in the “Map and Facilities” dropdown under each camp’s listing or at the end of Vol. Essentials.
- **Camping FAQs\* – Everything you need to know about camping.**
- [Campsite Photos\\*](https://gscnc.org/campsitephotos) – See what our campsites look like.
- [Camp Availability\\*](https://gscnc.org/campavailability) – Check campsite availability prior to reservations opening.
- [Outdoor and High Adventure Rally](https://gscnc.org/outdoorandhighadventure) – Weekly posts and updates from the Camping Department; great place to ask other volunteers camping/outdoor questions.
- [Camping and Outdoor Readiness](https://gscnc.org/campingandoutdoorreadiness) (linked on main camping webpage) – Find out if you’re ready to go camping & resources for first-time campers.
- [Council Map](https://gscnc.org/councilmap) – See where our camps are on a map.

\*Found on the [Ways to Camp](https://gscnc.org/ways-to-camp) page of our website (plenty of other great resources on this page, too).

## URLS

In order of appearance in document:

- GSCNC Events List: <https://www.gscnc.org/en/event/events-list.html>
- gsLearn: <https://www.gscnc.org/en/for-volunteers/ways-to-volunteer1/gsLearn.html>
- gsEvents: <https://mygs.girlscouts.org/search?type=EVENTS>
- My GS Sign In Portal: <https://mygs.girlscouts.org/>
- Camp Properties Page: <https://www.gscnc.org/campproperties>
- Facilities Charts (found on the Camp Properties Page): <https://www.gscnc.org/campproperties>
- Explore Camp Patch Program: <https://www.gscnc.org/explorecamp>

URLs in the Resources section:

- Camp Landing Page: <http://www.gscnc.org/camp>
- Volunteer Essentials: <https://www.gscnc.org/en/for-volunteers/Publications.html>
- Safety Activity Checkpoints: <https://www.gscnc.org/en/for-volunteers/Publications.html>
- Camp Facilities Charts and Maps: <https://www.gscnc.org/campproperties>
- Camping FAQs: <http://bit.ly/GSCNCCampFAQ>
- Camp Photos: <https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1RxtkljWVCnVXFzsaClGDxgneVMfXxz1w?usp=sharing>
- Camp Availability: <http://bit.ly/CampAvailability>
- Outdoor and High Adventure Rally: <https://rallyhood.com/rallies/14350>
- Camping and Outdoor Readiness: <https://www.gscnc.org/content/dam/girlscouts-gscnc/documents/Camp/Camping and Outdoor Readiness.pdf>
- Council Map: <https://www.gscnc.org/en/council/about-us/map.html>
- Ways to Camp Page: <https://www.gscnc.org/en/camp/ways-to-camp.html>