



## I'm a NEW Scouting America Volunteer – What's next?

Training!!

### Why Scouting America Training?

One of the important tasks you are asked to do as you join and continue to be a part of scouting is to be a trained leader. Why? Our youth depend on it and depend on YOU to keep them safe and provide a FUN, and engaging program. . . and training makes your job as a leader fun and easier as well!

Trained leaders understand Scouting America's mission, vision, purpose, methods, and values. Trained leaders deliver the promise of scouting to our youth – the promise of adventure, leadership, and growth. A trained leader is knowledgeable and more confident in the role being performed. Trained leaders impact the quality of programs, safety, and a whole lot more. In other words, a trained leader is better prepared to make Scouting all it can be!

### How can I get trained?

Here are four steps to becoming a trained leader.

#### 1. Set up a My.Scouting account

Visit [My.Scouting](https://www.myscouting.org) and create an account. Once you have an account, you can access online training.

#### 2. Complete Safeguarding Youth Training

This is the first training that all leaders must take and is a part of our commitment to keeping our youth safe. Scouting America places the greatest importance on creating the most secure environment possible for our youth members. This training is to be taken every year.

<https://www.scouting.org/training/youth-protection/>

#### 3. Complete Hazardous Weather Training

This training is required for all adults who work directly with youth. It must be taken every two years.

You can find this training at <https://www.scouting.org/training/health-and-safety/>.

#### 4. Position-Specific Training

**Scouting America's Learning Center**, at [My.Scouting](https://www.myscouting.org), offers training for all positions for adult leaders in Scouting. Select your position, and a learning plan will be created for you. The plan includes modules that are designed to allow you to complete them at your own pace. To access training after the initial set up, log into **My.Scouting** and click on **My Training** from the dropdown menu. From **My Training** page, click on **Requirements** to see what trainings are required for your position. To learn more about the Leader Specific Training for your program, visit: <https://www.scouting.org/training/position-specific-courses/>.

Additional training information can be located at <https://www.scouting.org/training/> Scouting U continually updates its policies and training materials to make sure that our program is relevant and reflects best practices for keeping our youth safe and engaged in the program.