

## Safety Activity Checkpoints: Travel Highlights

The Safety Activity Checkpoints (SAC) 2019 Edition has been updated and is available on GSU's website. The updated SAC contains exciting changes, including new activities like:

- Pocketknife and Jackknife
- Slingshot
- Tools Hand and Power
- Log Rolling (under inflatables)

There are also changes impacting Airbnb, VRBO and HomeAway. These are permitted however because these are privately owned properties, it can be difficult to qualify safety and credibility. For these reasons, additional steps for Airbnb, VRBO and Homeaway are required. Confirm the following ahead of time:

- The rental is for exclusive use of the home. No other renters will have access to the home during the rental period.
- The space has smoke alarms, carbon monoxide detectors, and fire extinguishers (these are noted as amenities on booking sites).
- The home and host have substantial, positive visitor reviews. Don't book places with negative, few or no reviews. Look for superhost status on Airbnb.
- The liability insurance from the host covers premises for commercial use, with a minimum of \$1,000,000 General Liability insurance.
- Check the host's profile or identity verification. You may be asked to do the same, as a renter.
- The local host or manager contact info is available for immediate needs. Share this information with an intown contact (a person not on the trip).
- Check state laws to see if Airbnb, VRBO and Homeaway are mandated to meet hotel laws and standards so that you know there is an extra layer of protection

Please always refer to the most recent version of SAC when planning activities



## **Completing the Troop Trip Application**

Be prepared to complete the Troop Trip Application by gathering answers for the questions below. Please note, these questions apply to the Extended Overnight Trips, shorter trips may not require answers for all questions.

Troop Trip Application Questions

- 1. Your name, phone and email
- 2. Trip adult lead if different from person submitting the form
- 3. Has the Adult Lead completed the appropriate training? (<u>Planning Trips with Girl Scouts</u>, online, for any type of trip, if camping Troop Camping 101. NOTE: Must complete in-person training, "Planning Extended Overnights and National Trips"
- 4. What is your Troop Number?
- 5. What is your Community Leadership Team?
- 6. Who will be the first aider on this trip?
- 7. Please enter Emergency Contact information below. (This needs to be someone who will NOT be attending the overnight.)
- 8. What level Girl Scouts are attending this trip?
- 9. Progression Questions, Tell about previous trips that show progression
- 10. Please enter all of the names (First and Last) of the Girl Scouts attending the trip.
- 11. Please enter all of the names (First and Last) of the adults attending the trip. (Please Note: all adults attending the trip must be a Girl Scout member with current a Criminal Background Check.)
- 12. Please list the adults who will be driving girls on this trip. Note: All adults driving must complete a Driver's Form to be approved by council. You can access the driver form <u>HERE</u>
- 13. What are the dates of your trip?
- 14. Where your trip destination?
- 15. Please provide us with your trip itinerary:
- 16. Will you be engaging in any High Adventure activities? If yes, please complete the <u>High Adventure form</u>. If you are not sure what activities are considered to be "High Adventure," please review the <u>Safety Activity</u> <u>Checkpoints</u>.
- 17. Have you purchased extra insurance? You can find the extra insurance enrollment form <u>HERE</u>. Once complete, please send it into programs@gsutah.org with the subject: Extra Insurance for Troop #'s Troop Trip
- 18. What are the sleeping arrangements? (Note: girls and adults must have separate sleeping quarters. If you are camping, girls must sleep in separate tents from adults. )
- 19. Please also list the address and location of the place you will staying overnight (street address, city, state, zip)