

CYC Training Policy

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Safeguarding Youth: Every Year

Safeguarding Youth training is required for all Scouting America registered volunteers and is a **joining requirement**. It must be completed **PRIOR** to submitting adult applications for **processing**. Safeguarding Youth training must be taken **EVERY YEAR**. If a volunteer's Safeguarding Youth training is not current at the time of annual registration renewal, the volunteer will not be re-registered.

Course Details:

Duration: ~90 minutes

Available in English and Spanish

Access it through my.scouting.org

Requirements: Complete all lessons + score 80% or higher on the final test

Annual Refresher: After completing the full course once, a 15-minute refresher and retest is required each year to stay current.

Position Specific Training: No Expiration

In 2015, after thoughtful discussion, the Executive Board of the Connecticut Yankee Council (CYC) adopted a policy requiring that all registered adults complete **Position Specific Training** for their registered position in order to remain registered with their respective Units. Required Position Specific Training will help the Adult Leaders of the Connecticut Yankee Council deliver better program experiences, build trust with parents and youth, and know how to prevent incidents. Every Youth deserves a trained leader.

Position Specific Training Courses must be completed by all registered leaders at Connecticut Yankee Council. New Leaders and those changing positions must complete Position Specific Training Courses within 120 days of their registration or their position change. These courses do not expire.

All Registered Adults will be required to have Position Specific training for **ALL** positions they hold at Unit, District and Council levels. [Trained Leader Requirements \(October 2025\)](#)

All Position Specific Training Courses except Introduction to Leadership Skills (S11; IOLS) may be completed **ONLINE** at my.scouting.org. Positions requiring Introduction to Outdoor Leadership Skills must complete IOLS within 180 days of registration or position change.

Hazardous Weather: Every Two Years

Hazardous Weather training is required for all Scouting America Direct-Contact leaders to be considered “trained” in their position. This includes: *Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster, Cubmaster and Assistant Cubmaster, Den Leader and Assistant Den Leader, Crew Advisor and Associate Advisor, Explorer Advisor and Associate Advisor, Sea Scouting Adult Leader*. Hazardous Weather training must be taken **EVERY TWO YEAR**. If a volunteer’s Hazardous Weather training is not current at the time of annual registration renewal, the volunteer will not be considered trained.

Course Details:

Duration: ~30 minutes

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