



National BSA Fee Chart

EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2024

- BSA will eliminate the **\$25** one-time joining fee for new program participants in Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturing and Sea Scouting
The new annual membership fees are as follows:
- **\$85** for Cub Scouts, Scouts BSA, Venturing and Sea Scouting participants + **\$6** Bay Area Council Insurance fee
- **\$65** for all adult volunteers + **\$6** Bay Area Council Insurance fee
- **\$50** for Exploring participants Youth & Adult + **\$6** Bay Area Council Insurance fee
- **\$25** for Merit Badge Counselors not registered in a unit
- **\$100** Unit Charter fee
- **\$15** for *Scout Life* magazine (optional)

Summary of Key Updates

<p>Members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ALL Bay Area Council Units expire 12/31/2024. The renewal process for 2025 will be different from what we've experienced. Updates to come. • Unit charter renewal and individual membership renewal will be separate processes. • Every member will renew their membership on their anniversary month. *This should be visible on the Unit Roster in My.Scouting. • Each member will receive an email renewal notice reminder beginning 60 days before the anniversary month. <p>Merit Badge Counselors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beginning in August 2023, Merit Badge Counselors who are NOT REGISTERED as an adult leader in a unit will pay an annual \$25 fee. • Merit Badge Counselors are not registered in a unit position and therefore are not allowed to attend overnight Scouting activities/events. 	<p>Role of the Unit in Annual Membership Renewal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Units WILL BE able to choose to pay renewals for all members, this option will block the online payment by the parent. • Units will be able to opt out of a member so as not to pay for someone who has quit. • Units will get notifications via email for members to be renewed and members who have renewed. • Renewal status will show on the unit roster. • Units will have access to reporting in My.Scouting for members due to renew, members renewed, and members dropped (opt-out.) <p>Unit Role in Charter Renewal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unit Charter Renewal will be simplified and streamlined. The unit will validate the leadership and YPT requirements, validate the membership requirements, and pay the Unit Charter fee. This can be done by one of the unit Key-3 leaders.
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**There is a one-month lapse period. Those who fail to renew their membership will need to complete a new application for membership.*

**You are not covered by insurance if you're not registered. There is no grace period.*

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