

## **GUIDELINES FOR NON-GIRL SCOUT/FAMILY INVOLVEMENT IN ACTIVITIES, TRIPS, AND EVENTS**

Girl Scouts of Gulfcoast Florida, Inc. is continually concerned about the possibility of non-registered participants in troop or neighborhood events and trips. As a member's only organization, we encourage troops to examine whether non-member participation provides the best atmosphere for girls to receive Girl Scout programs. In an effort to make this as clear as possible, the following guidelines have been adopted in place of the previous requirements.

**Plan 1** - This accident insurance covers every registered Girl Scout member for any approved, supervised activity of the Girl Scouts. This coverage is included in the \$10.00 membership registration. This coverage includes Girl Scout meetings, trips, and activities lasting no more than two consecutive nights.

**Plan 2** - This accident insurance covers members and non-members for accidents only. (This insurance must be purchased for non-members to cover events that are not covered under Plan 1, such as events lasting longer than two consecutive nights.) The cost for this coverage is currently \$.11 **per participant per day**. Participants who are covered by the insurance include adults and minors.

**Plans 3E and 3P** - Plan 3E provides secondary **accident** and **sickness** insurance coverage. Plan 3P provides primary **accident** and **sickness** insurance. Troops are required to purchase these plans for travel and events lasting three nights or longer. Contact the council headquarters for the current cost of these plans. Prices may vary.

**Out-of-country** travel requires international travel insurance. Call the council headquarters for costs and further information about the international travel insurance.

It is expected that non-member parents and others will be involved from time to time in Girl Scout activities just as they do in PTA's, community services or school events, in providing transportation, chaperoning, decorating, visiting, or just lending a hand. These activities are done without expectation of reimbursement for medical expenses in case of accidental injury. **Non-members who get more than sporadically involved should become members.**

**Please also note** that girls must be participants with their age level program for Plan 1 coverage to apply. For example: A Daisy Girl Scout that accompanies her mother, the Brownie Girl Scout leader, to the Brownie Girl Scout meeting is a tag-a-long, unless she is in a supplemental supervised unit with constant adult supervision away from the Girl Scout program. The supplemental supervised unit would be eligible for Plan 2 coverage. A trained Girl Scout who is assisting with the troop meeting is not a tag-a-long. A Girl Scout who does her homework at the Daisy Girl Scout meeting is a tag-a-long. Family members who are too young to actually participate in the planned activities are not eligible for the supplemental insurance and may not participate in the event.