

## Super Girl Scout Award FAQs

### **What does a Girl Scout need to do to earn the Super Girl Scout Award?**

To be awarded the Super Girl Scout Award, a Girl Scout must earn at least 80 points between June 1 – May 31 and submit the [Super Girl Scout Award application](#) between May 1 – June 1.

### **What does a Girl Scout earn for being a Super Girl Scout?**

A Super Girl Scout will receive a certificate acknowledging their hard work. Super Girl Scouts can purchase a pin at the Girl Scouts of Central Texas (GSCTX) shop and wear it with pride on the front of their uniform.

### **This award looks different compared to previous years – why is this?**

Every year, based on continued feedback, this award is updated.

### **The award requirements were released in August. I did things in June and July (camping, meetings, field trips, etc.) – do these activities count?**

Yes – you are welcome to count any applicable activities in the summer towards the award submission next May. The Super Awards timeline runs from June 1 – May 31 of each year.

### **How does a Super Girl Scout apply for the Super Girl Scout designation?**

A youth member, caregiver, or troop leader submits the [Super Girl Scout Award application](#) between May 1 – June 1.

### **What is the deadline to apply for the Super Girl Scout Award?**

The deadline to submit the award application is June 1. Super Girl Scouts will be notified by July 1 if they earned the Super Girl Scout Award.

### **Will someone check to see if a Girl Scout has completed the Super Girl Scout Award requirements?**

Girl Scouts are on their honor to be accurate to the best of their knowledge when submitting their award application. The GSCTX shop will also sell Super Girl Scout pins based on the honor system.

### **How often can this award be earned?**

This award can be earned again every year.

## Super Troop Award FAQs

### **What does a troop need to do to earn the Super Troop Award?**

To earn the Super Troop Award, a troop must have a minimum of 3 youth members and 1 troop leader registered, participate in the Girl Scout Cookie Program, turn in troop financials by May 1, complete enough action items between June 1 – May 31 to earn a minimum of 100 points, and submit the [Super Troop Award application](#) between May 1 – June 1.

The Super Troop Award has three levels. A sapphire level Super Troop earns a minimum of 100 points and will receive a bonus of \$0.05 per box of cookies sold. A ruby level Super Troop earns a minimum of 200 points and will receive a bonus of \$0.06 per box of cookies sold. Finally, a diamond level Super Troop earns a minimum of 300 points and will receive a bonus of \$0.07 per box of cookies sold.

### **Do we need to do at least the sapphire level for each of the 19 action items to be a Super Troop?**

No – a troop may do any combination of action items to reach the 100-, 200-, or 300-point thresholds for the three award levels. For example, to earn 100 points at the sapphire level, a troop might complete 10 of the sapphire action items, worth 10 points each. Or they might do a combination of 5 sapphire action items for 50 points, 1 ruby action item for 20 points, and 1 diamond action item for 30 points.

### **How were the overall requirements determined for Super Troop Award?**

Using data from various sources, including volunteer feedback, GSCTX chose requirements that would have the biggest impact to ensure a successful Girl Scout year for troops.

### **The award requirements were released in August. Do troop activities in June and July count?**

Yes, any applicable troop activities completed between June 1 – May 31 count towards the award total.

### **Can we still be a Super Troop if we complete some action items but earn less than 100 points?**

If a troop earns less than 100 points, they will not earn the Super Troop Award and will not earn the additional bonus per box of cookies sold.

### **What is the deadline to apply for the Super Troop Award?**

The deadline to submit the award application is June 1. Troops will not receive the Super Troop Award cookie bonus if the award application is late. Troops will be notified by July 1 if they earned the Super Troop Award and receive their cookie bonus level.

### **Will someone check to see if our troop has completed the requirements for Super Troop?**

Certain requirements are verified by staff. GSCTX staff does understand that some information submitted cannot be validated, so troops are on their honor to be accurate to the best of their knowledge.

### **How do the pins work for Super Troop?**

The Super Troop pin is a Texas-shaped pin with an embroidered star backing, and there is a different embroidered star color for each program level. Pins can be purchased at the GSCTX shop and be worn with pride by youth members on the front of their uniform. Adults can wear them on their lanyards or volunteer vests.

### **How often can this award be earned?**

This award can be earned again every year.

## Super Service Unit Award FAQs

### **What does a service unit need to do to earn the Super Service Unit Award?**

To earn the Super Service Unit Award, a service unit must participate in the Girl Scout Cookie Program, turn in service unit financials by May 1, complete enough action items from June 1 – May 31 to earn a minimum of 100 points, and submit the [Super Service Unit Award application](#) between May 1 – June 1.

The Super Service Unit Award has three levels. A sapphire level Super Service Unit earns a minimum of 100 points and receives a bonus of \$0.01 per box of cookies sold. A ruby level Super Service Unit earns a minimum of 200 points and receives a bonus of \$0.02 per box of cookies sold. A diamond level Super Service Unit earns a minimum of 300 points and receives a bonus of \$0.03 per box of cookies sold.

### **Do we need to do at least the sapphire level for each of the 20 action items to be a Super Service Unit?**

No – a service unit may do any combination of action items to reach the 100-, 200-, or 300-point thresholds for the three award levels. For example, to earn 100 points at the sapphire level, a service unit might complete 10 of the sapphire action items, worth 10 points each. Or they might do a combination of 5 sapphire action items for 50 points, 1 ruby action item for 20 points, and 1 diamond action item for 30 points.

### **How were the overall requirements determined for the Super Service Unit Award?**

Using data from various sources, including volunteer feedback, GSCTX chose requirements that would have the biggest potential impact to ensure a successful Girl Scout year for service units, troops, and members.

### **How do we find out our spring renewal percentages and service unit specific goals?**

Council membership staff will share these with service unit leadership.

### **The award requirements were released in August. Do activities in June and July count?**

Yes, any applicable service unit activities completed between June 1 – May 31 count towards the award total.

### **Can we still be a Super Service Unit if we complete some action items but earn less than 100 points?**

If a service unit earns less than 100 points, they will not earn the Super Service Unit Award and will not earn the additional bonus per box of cookies sold.

### **What is the deadline to apply for the Super Service Unit Award?**

The deadline to submit the award application is June 1. Service units will not receive the Super Service Unit Award cookie bonus if the award application is late. Service units will be notified by July 1 if they earned the Super Service Unit Award and receive their cookie bonus level.

### **Will someone check to see if our service unit has completed the requirements for Super Service Unit?**

Certain requirements are verified by staff. GSCTX staff does understand that some information submitted cannot be validated, so service units are on their honor to be accurate to the best of their knowledge.

### **Does every troop in the service unit have to be a Super Troop to be considered a Super Service Unit?**

No. However, service units should encourage every Girl Scout to be a Super Girl Scout and every troop to be a Super Troop because the requirements for each award feeds into the next (Super Girl Scout -> Super Troop -> Super Service Unit). The more Super Girl Scouts and Super Troops in a service unit, the easier it will be to earn the Super Service Unit Award.

### **How do the pins work for Super Service Unit?**

The Super Service Unit pin is a Texas-shaped pin with a teal embroidered star backing. Pins can be purchased at the GSCTX shop and be worn on lanyards or volunteer vests by any adults in the service unit.

### **How often can this award be earned?**

This award can be earned again every year.