

Spook-O-Ree 2025 Youth Protection Reminders

Each unit must have two **registered** adult leaders 21 years of age or over on site during Spook-O-Ree.

There must be a **registered** female adult leader 21 years of age or over in every unit with female participants. **If you are unable to provide a female leader, please note this on your registration. Your Scout may still attend but we need to place you with a unit with a female leader.**

The BSA leadership policy requires that at least two youth-protection trained adults be present with youth **at all times**.

All adults staying overnight in connection with a Scouting activity must be currently registered as an adult volunteer or an adult program participant. Registration as a merit badge counselor position does not meet this requirement. ***Cub Scout parents or legal guardians taking part in an overnight Cub Scout program with their own child or legal ward are not required to register as leaders.***

More information can be found in the Guide to Safe Scouting:

<https://www.scouting.org/health-and-safety/gss/gss01/>

What this means for Spook-O-Ree:

- Units with female participants must have a **registered** female leader on site.
- Each unit must have at least 2 **youth-protection trained** adults traveling with them at all times. Spook-O-Ree is designed to be a “family” event and it is encouraged that adult partners travel with their Scout during rotations and throughout the event.
- Buddy System must be followed at all times:
 - Always single gender
 - Only be made between youth members
 - Adult program participants cannot be paired with youth
- In Cub Scouting ONLY, parents and guardians may share a tent with their family.

If you have any additional questions please reach out to us at

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