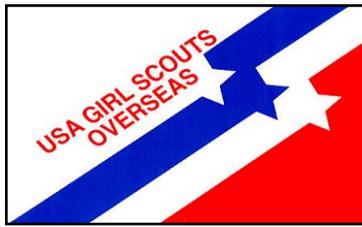




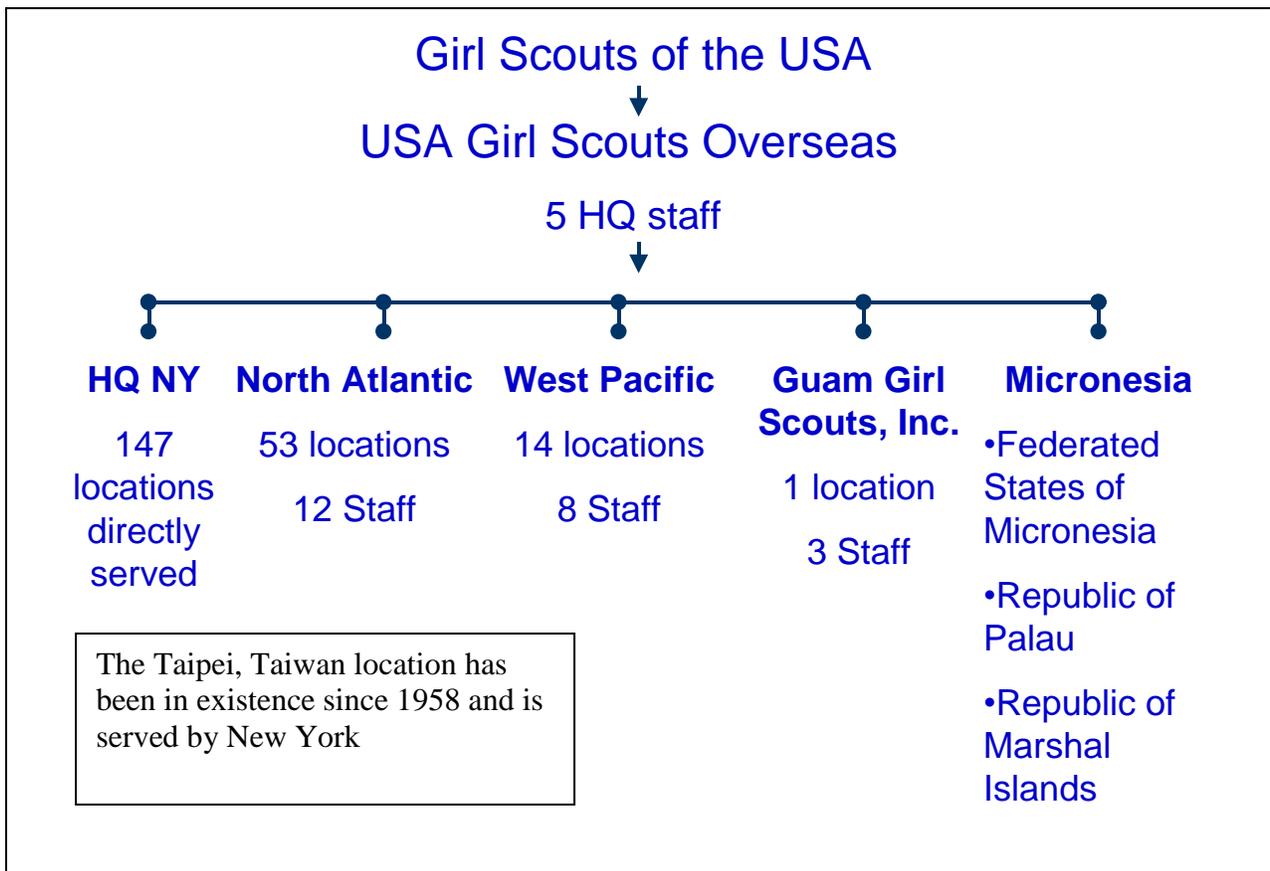
Parent Meeting Information Package

**USA Girl Scouts Overseas
Taipei, Taiwan
2017-18**



Since 1925, USA Girl Scouts Overseas, a branch of Girl Scouts of the USA, has supported Girl Scout troops organized outside the continental United States.

USA Girl Scouts Overseas serves American girls living overseas and girls attending American or international schools.



The Girl Scout Program

Courage. Confidence. Character. To Make the World a Better Place.

Girl Scouts of the USA is committed to helping today's girls become tomorrow's leaders. For 90 years, the Girl Scout program has delivered quality experiences for girls locally, nationally, and internationally. The Girl Scout program is girl-driven, reflecting the ever-changing needs and interests of participating girls. It provides girls with a wide variety of opportunities. The program encourages increased skill building and responsibility, and also promotes the development of strong leadership and decision-making skills. All program activities are age-appropriate and based on The Four Program Goals, as well as on the Girl Scout Promise and Law.

Girl Scout Leadership Experience

The Girl Scout Leadership Experience engages girls in discovering self, connecting with others, and taking action to make the world a better place. Discover, Connect, and Take Action are the three keys to Leadership

Discover: Girls understand themselves and their values and use their knowledge and skills to explore the world.

Connect: Girls care about, inspire, and team with others locally and globally.

Take Action: Girls act to make the world a better place.

The Four Program Goals

Developing Self-Potential – develop their full individual potential.

Relating to Others – Relate to others with increasing understanding, skill, and respect.

Developing Values – Develop values to guide their actions and provide the foundation for sound decision making.

Contributing to Society – Contribute to the improvement of society through their abilities, leadership skills, and cooperation with others.

The Girl Scout Promise

On my honor, I will try:

To serve God and my country,

To help people at all times,

And to live by the Girl Scout Law.

The word "God" can be interpreted in a number of ways, depending on one's spiritual beliefs. When reciting the Girl Scout Promise, it is okay to replace the word "God" with whatever word your spiritual beliefs dictate.

The Girl Scout Law

I will do my best to be

honest and fair,

friendly and helpful,

considerate and caring,

courageous and strong, and

responsible for what I say and do,

and to

respect myself and others,

respect authority,

use resources wisely,

make the world a better place, and

be a sister to every Girl Scout.



All Girl Scouts make the Girl Scout Promise and accept the Girl Scout Law.

Who Can Be Girl Scouts?

Girl Scouting is open to all girls ages 5 to 17.

There are four age levels in Girl Scouting:

- Daisy Girl Scouts, grades K-1
- Brownie Girl Scouts, grades 2-3 only
- Junior Girl Scouts, grades 4-5 only
- Older Girls, 11-17 years old (also known as Cadettes, grades 6-8, Seniors, grades 9-10 and Ambassadors, grades 11-12.)



Brief Overview of Activities

By Age-Level

Daisy Scouts

It's never too early to start interacting successfully with others. Earning the ten Learning Petals include activities designed to help these little ones have fun while they build on the educational and social skills they have been learning in their families and schools.



Brownie Scouts

Brownies are encouraged to try new things that help them explore the arts, science, sports, fitness, basic money management, nutrition, special occasions planning, and much more. They can earn Brownie Try-It Badges and other Patches throughout the fun activities.



Junior Scouts

These girls are ready for more advanced activities. In addition to all of the other fun activities, there are more than a hundred Junior Badges for them to earn. These badges let the girls explore many areas, including community service and relationships; math, science and technology; financial literacy; health, fitness and sports; environmental education; and the arts and global awareness. Besides, they will also develop leadership, decision-making and problem-solving skills, as they take a more active part in planning their activities. It's all about growing up.



Cadette (middle school) Senior and Ambassador (high school) levels

The program for older girls is by girls, for girls. They plan their activities. They decide what they want to do & when they want to do it – with adult advisors who want to help them make it happen.

Older Girls have the 4 B's for their program goal:

BECOME- Celebrate yourself today and become your best self in the future.

BELONG- Be part of a group where you have fun, relate to others with respect, & develop lasting friendships.

BELIEVE- Develop your ideas and voice what's important to you.

BUILD- Take action on what you care about and make a difference.

In addition to the STUDIO 2B program, they can also earn Interest Project Awards, Silver Award and Gold Award – the Girl Scout highest award.

We also have for each age level our new Journeys programs to help girls develop their leadership skills through activities that help them Discover, Connect and Take Action.

[More information about Girl Scout Program can be found in www.girlscouts.org](http://www.girlscouts.org)

Girl Scouting Fees

1. Girl Scouts Registration Fee (whole year). **\$1,000NT**
Pay to troop leader at the first meeting. Five hundred is for the annual registration fee, 100 is for the OCMT expenses and 400 goes to the troop for start up costs. (if your daughter paid early registration, the cost is \$400NT) (No refunds, if your daughter withdraws after the second Troop meeting)

Girl Scouts Organizational Day

Date September 12, 2013

Time 9:30am – 11:00

Place TAS Faculty Dining Room.

2. Girl Scouts Uniform, T-shirt and Handbook. Paid by each
(Optional, but highly recommended) Scout Family (Includes 10%
shipping and handling)
(**approximate** costs, actual costs to be give at troop meetings)

Daisy: Tunic – \$ 479 NT
Vest – \$ 537 NT
Basic Insignia – \$ 375 NT
Girls Guide to Girl Scouts book set – \$ 743 NT
Journey book - \$ 231 NT

Brownie: Vest – \$ 570 NT or
Sash--\$ 198 NT
Basic Insignia – \$ 423 NT
Girls Guide to Girl Scouts book set – \$ 743 NT
Journey book - \$ 231 NT

Junior: Vest – \$ 588 NT
Sash--\$ 231 NT
Basic Insignia – \$ 523 NT
Girls Guide to Girl Scouts book set – \$ 743 NT
Journey book - \$ 231 NT



Cadettes/Seniors/Ambassadors: talk to Leader about this.

**** If your girl is not already a TYPA member, TYPA membership fees need to be paid ahead of time. ****

Parents' Involvement

Girl Scouting is a volunteer run organization. Adult involvement and support is critical to ensuring a positive experience for all girls in Girl Scouting. Please make sure to read the section about Parent responsibilities

To help, you can:

Be a leader for your Girl Scout. By being a leader you not only provide a role model to the girls and in so doing, increase your self-confidence and leadership skills as well, but also gain new friends and a sense of satisfaction for being able to help others. We cannot have scout troops without volunteers for leaders.

Support your leader with your help with activities and as support. Your leaders cannot do it alone, they need your support to help make things happen. Volunteer to lead an activity, to be a chaperone on a field trip, to watch a younger child during the meeting.

Return signed permission forms on time for your Girl Scout to participate in special activities that outside the TAS campus. Without the signed permission form, your girl is not allowed to attend the activity.

Tell the leader about your girl's medical conditions that will affect participation or any prescription medication she will need to take during Girl Scout meetings or field trips.

Take time to attend any special functions when you are invited.

Help your child wear her uniform with pride in being part of the largest organization for girls and women in the world.

Girl Scout Parent Responsibilities

When your daughter joins a troop, know that it is an all volunteer organization, and not a babysitting service, and that therefore parents are expected to volunteer to help the troop leader to the best of their abilities, as she is also a volunteer, who is often as new to Scouting as you are. Listed below are some of the expectations for parents.

A Girl Scout Parent:

Must answer all emails and telephone calls sent to her by the leader promptly. If you do not answer she does not know if you have received it. Even if the answer is a no, you still must communicate it. Most leaders today will communicate by email as it is easier to reach everyone this way. Therefore as a parent you have the responsibility to provide an email, and to check your email messages regularly.

Must fill out all forms sent home and return them to the troop leader promptly. Girl Scout rules require a fair amount of paperwork and all forms must be filled out and returned promptly. For instance if you do not fill out an individual permission slip for each activity your daughter may not attend an event. If you do not turn in registration forms on time, we are not supposed to let your daughter take part in activities. This is not the troop leader's rules, this is the rules of the National Organization.

Must sign up to help the leader, when asked to do so. This includes such volunteering to be a treasurer, to bring snacks, to help with field trips or contacting people and to help lead meetings in an activity with which you are familiar. Do not ignore the lists and do not expect her to tell you which one you should sign. You are adults and know your strengths better than she does.

Must communicate with the leader directly. The leader needs to know of any issues you or your daughter may have, whether is a health issue or learning disability of your daughter, an issue your daughter is having with the troop or girls in the troop, or an issue you have with how the troop is being run. If you think there should be less or more activities, you should communicate this directly to the leader. (If you think there should be more, be prepared to offer to help with the activities.) If you have trouble understanding something that the leader has communicated to you, ask her directly to clarify it. If you have issues, do not use the co-leader or another mother to ask the leader about it. It is unfair to put someone in the middle.

Must support the troop activities to the best of her or his abilities and be there for the daughter at special scouting events. Unlike Cub Scouts we do not require parents to be present at every activity or meeting. However, we will require support from parents for chaperoning field trips, for providing snacks, and for attending such events as Investiture and Thinking Day. We have special Father daughter and Mother daughter events and your daughters do really appreciate it if you can show that they are important to you, by attending these types of events.

Attend special parent meetings called by the troop. Parents should not expect parent meetings and information to be discussed during the regular troop meetings, as this is the time for the girls. Therefore if the leader asks you to attend a special parents meeting you should make every effort to attend. Also remember that parent meetings are just that, parent meetings, and that there are no activities for the girls, so that if at all possible girls and their siblings should not attend, unless that is the only way for the parent to attend.

Must teach their daughter to respect the leader and to obey the leader's reasonable orders. Make sure your daughter understands that the leader and her adult helpers are in charge, even if you are present, and back up the leader's authority, just as you would back up a teacher's authority. Your leader needs that support in order to have a smoothly functioning meeting. When attending the meetings you also need to respect the leader and follow her instructions, including keeping any extra siblings along under control so that they do not disrupt the meeting and distract the girls. While siblings may be allowed to take part in extra activities, they must have a form from you acknowledging that you know they are not covered by Girl Scout or TYP A insurance and that you take responsibility for anything that may befall them.

Why Be A Girl Scout Volunteer?

The backbone of Girl Scouting is our volunteers, who bring their talents, energy, and dedication to Girl Scouting.

Having an opportunity to “give back” to the community
Being personally rewarded with a sense of self-satisfaction
Increasing self-confidence
Developing leadership skills
Spending enriched time with your daughters and her friends
Being a role model for our next generation
Learning together with your girls
Increasing your friendship network
Finding a network of adults when relocating anywhere in the world
Having fun



- **Remember Girl Scouts won't exist without volunteer's help!** Girl Scout of USA is a non-profit, volunteer base organization. We always welcome any adult and parental help, **whether you have a daughter in the Girl Scouts or not, whether you have an hour, a few weekends or more time to share, you can make a difference — in your life and the lives of girls.**

USA Girl Scout Overseas Taipei, Taiwan Girl Scouts Leaders Training

*** * All New Leaders & Co-Leaders Are Required to complete online training**

Girl Scouting 101 is required before meeting with girls.

<https://training.girlscouts.org/default.asp>,. Discover what Girl Scouting is all about. See the exciting and relevant updates that have been made to the Girl Scout program..

Choose USAGSO as your “council” from the drop-down menu.

The password is: aboutGS101.

In addition, All new volunteers must take part in the Welcome to Girl Scouting webinar within 60 days of registration.

(Links will be provided as they become available.)

In addition there will be various webinars available during the year on other Topics. There will be an orientation for leaders as to our local resources available for your use, and first aid and other training will be provided as needed.



USA Girl Scout Overseas
Taipei, Taiwan
Volunteer Sign-up Form

Name _____
Phone _____ Cell Phone _____
Email Address _____
Scout Name _____ Scout Level _____

- Yes! I'll be a Girl Scout volunteer. I can help in the following areas:**
- You can make multiple choice with numbers (1, 2, 3...) for your preference.
 - No experience required.

Committee Level (1 to 2 meeting a month)

- Committee Chair**Filled**
- Secretary, administration****
- Uniform & Supply Coordinator****
- Librarian ****
- Committee Treasurer **Filled**
- Public Relations ****
- Committee Activity Coordinator** (6 to 7 a year)**



Troop Level

- Troop Leader****
 - Troop Co-Leader****
 - Troop Treasurer****
 - Troop Activity helper**
- No! I can not be a Girl Scouts volunteer.**
*=== **Positions need to be filled today in order to get the Girl Scouts started. ===*



Girl Membership

Join the global network of 3.2 million Girl Scouts
Membership year through 9/30/2015

GIRL SCOUT MISSION

Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

PRIMARY PURPOSE FOR LIVING OVERSEAS *required*

(Mark one only)

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| MILITARY | CIVILIAN |
| <input type="radio"/> Air Force | <input type="radio"/> Corporate
Name of Corp: _____ |
| <input type="radio"/> Army | <input type="radio"/> Missionary |
| <input type="radio"/> Coast Guard | <input type="radio"/> Diplomat/
Embassy |
| <input type="radio"/> Marines | <input type="radio"/> Educational Inst. |
| <input type="radio"/> Navy | <input type="radio"/> Permanent
Residence |
| <input type="radio"/> DoD | <input type="radio"/> Contractor |

OTHER: _____

YES! I would like to make a donation today that directly benefits girls in our area. Enclosed is my tax-deductible donation in the amount of (check one):

\$500 \$250 \$150
 \$100 \$50 \$25
 Other \$ _____

PAYMENT INFORMATION:

Membership Fee: \$ 15

Donation: \$ _____

Total Attached: \$ _____

Cash Check*
 Amex Discover
 Visa MasterCard
 Other _____

Name on Credit Card _____

Credit Card # _____

Expiration Date _____

Signature _____

Date _____

*Make checks payable to Girl Scouts.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING GIRL SCOUTS!
Learn more about Girl Scouts at www.girlscouts.org.

Return this registration form with the GSUSA membership fees to your local overseas committee. Fees are non-refundable nor transferable to another person.

Check one: New Member Renewing Member GSUSA ID (if known) _____

GIRL INFORMATION

Name: First _____ Middle _____ Last _____

Address _____

+ _____
Girl Home Phone

+ _____
Girl Cell Phone (only if 13 and older) Girl Email Address (only if 13 or older) I wish to opt in: Emails

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Date of birth: (mm/dd/yyyy) ____/____/____ # of years as a Girl Scout: _____ School grade in fall 2014: _____

Name of school: _____

DEMOGRAPHICS

Custodial care:	She is (Check all that apply):	She is Hispanic or Latina:
<input type="radio"/> Both Parents	<input type="radio"/> American Indian or Alaskan Native	<input type="radio"/> Yes
<input type="radio"/> Mother/Guardian Only	<input type="radio"/> Asian	<input type="radio"/> No
<input type="radio"/> Father/Guardian Only	<input type="radio"/> Black or African American	<input type="radio"/> I choose not to share at this time.
<input type="radio"/> Other _____	<input type="radio"/> Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	
	<input type="radio"/> White	
	<input type="radio"/> Other (Please specify) _____	
	<input type="radio"/> I choose not to share at this time.	

Address is same as girl's

Parent/Guardian (1) First Name _____ Middle _____ Last _____

Address _____

Employer _____ Occupation _____

+ _____
Home Phone Business Phone

+ _____
Cell Phone Email Address I wish to opt in: Emails

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Address is same as girl's

Parent/Guardian (2) First Name _____ Middle _____ Last _____

Address _____

Employer _____ Occupation _____

+ _____
Home Phone Business Phone

+ _____
Cell Phone Email Address I wish to opt in: Emails

PERMISSION

<p>The Girl Scout Promise On my honor I will try: To serve God and my country, To help people at all times, And to live by the Girl Scout Law.</p> <p>When making the Girl Scout Promise, individual members may substitute wording appropriate to their own spiritual beliefs for the word "God."</p>	<p>The Girl Scout Law I will do my best to be honest and fair, friendly and helpful, considerate and caring, courageous and strong, and responsible for what I say and do, and to respect myself and others, respect authority, use resources wisely, make the world a better place, and be a sister to every Girl Scout.</p>	<p>Media Permission When participating in Girl Scout activities (I or the person I am registering) give consent to be interviewed, photographed, videotaped, or electronically imaged for the purposes of promotional materials, news releases, or other published formats for either the local Girl Scout council or Girl Scouts of the USA. The images will be the sole property of the local Girl Scout council or Girl Scouts of the USA. I hereby release and hold harmless the local Girl Scout council and Girl Scouts of the USA from any claim arising from the use of these images.</p> <p><input type="radio"/> I wish to opt out at this time.</p>
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We acknowledge that the registrant will accept and abide by the Girl Scout Promise and Law. The registrant has permission to join Girl Scouts.

ADMIN USE

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____ Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

Council Code: 700 Overseas Committee Code: _____ Group/Troop: _____

PATHWAY OF ENTRY: Camp Event Series Travel Troop Virtual



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PRIMARY PURPOSE FOR LIVING OVERSEAS required (Mark one only)

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| MILITARY | CIVILIAN |
| <input type="radio"/> Air Force | <input type="radio"/> Corporate |
| <input type="radio"/> Army | <input type="radio"/> Name of Corp: _____ |
| <input type="radio"/> Coast Guard | <input type="radio"/> Missionary |
| <input type="radio"/> Marines | <input type="radio"/> Diplomat/Embassy |
| <input type="radio"/> Navy | <input type="radio"/> Educational Inst. |
| <input type="radio"/> DoD | <input type="radio"/> Permanent Res. |
| | <input type="radio"/> Contractor |

OTHER: _____

MEMBERSHIP OPTIONS:

Annual Membership

- Annual fee: \$15

Lifetime Membership

- (including permanent membership card and recognition certificate)
- Onetime fee of \$375 for adults 18 years of age or older
- Onetime fee of \$195 for Girl Scout Ambassadors graduating from high school in this membership year. (Please submit by Sept. 1st of graduating year.)

YES! I would also like to make a donation today that directly benefits girls in our area. Enclosed is my tax-deductible donation in the amount of (check one):

\$500 \$250 \$150 \$100
 \$50 \$25 Other: \$_____

PAYMENT INFORMATION:

Annual Membership: \$ 15

Lifetime Membership: \$ _____

Donation: \$ _____

Total Attached: \$ _____

- Cash Check*
 Amex Discover
 Visa MasterCard
 Other _____

Name on Credit Card _____

Credit Card # _____

Expiration Date _____

Signature _____

Date _____

*Make checks payable to Girl Scouts.

Check one: New Member Renewing Member Lifetime Member GSUSAID (if known) _____

CONTACT INFORMATION

Title or salutation: Mrs. Ms. Miss Mx. Dr. Other: _____

Name: First _____ Middle _____ Last _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____ Business Phone _____

Cell Phone _____ I wish to opt in: Email

Employer _____ Title/Occupation _____

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Gender: Female Male

of years in Girl Scouting: as a girl: _____ as an adult: _____

Date of birth: ____/____/____
 mm dd yyy

I am (Check all that apply):
 American Indian or Alaskan Native
 Asian
 Black or African American
 Hawaiian or Pacific Islander

I am Hispanic or Latina:
 Yes No
 I choose not to share at this time.

PARTICIPATION

I will be participating in Girl Scouting as (Check all that apply):
 Volunteer—I am/will be volunteering for Girl Scouts. Community Partner
 Parent/Family—I am a parent/guardian/family member of a Girl Scout. Staff—I am/will be employed by Girl Scouts.
 Girl Scout Alumnae—I was a Girl Scout, either as a girl, adult, or both. Other _____

As a volunteer, I would like to participate in the following role(s):
 01—Advisor or Leader for a Group/Troop
 02—Assistant Advisor or Leader for a Group/Troop Advisor/Leader
 03—Support Volunteer for a Group/Troop
 04—OCMT Volunteer (Identify) _____
 05—Learning Facilitator
 Board Member
 Other (Specify) _____

Representing Group(s)/Troop(s)/Overseas Committee:
 # _____ # _____ # _____ # _____
 OC _____

ACCEPTANCE

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I wish to opt out at this time.

I accept and abide by the Girl Scout Promise and Law:

Signature _____ Date _____

Code: **700** Overseas Committee Code: _____ Group/Troop: _____

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Girl Scout Registration Form Year 2 _____ - 2 _____

Scout Name _____ Age _____ Grade _____ Country of Passport _____
(If citizens of more than one country, list all)

School _____ Date of Birth _____ # of years in Taiwan _____

Name of Troop Leader _____ Scout Level _____

- New to Girl Scouts
- Returning Girl Scout (if Yes, # of years in Girl Scout including this year: _____ years)

Home Address _____

Home Phone # _____ Mother's cell phone _____ Father's cell phone _____

Parent Email: _____

Father's Name _____ Employer _____ Position _____

Mother's Name _____ Employer _____ Position _____

Emergency Contact Name _____ Phone # _____
(not a Parent)

I hereby give permission for my daughter to join USA Girl Scouts Overseas, Taipei, Taiwan. She will attend meetings as per the troop schedule. I will not hold the USA Girl Scouts Overseas, Taipei, Taiwan or TYPA responsible or liable for any injury or for loss of personal property. I give my consent to emergency treatment at any medical facility nearby if the need arises. I understand that in order for her to participate in any additional activity, I will be required to complete, sign and submit a parental consent form, which will be sent home by the Troop Leader.

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

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USA Girl Scouts Overseas, Taipei, Taiwan
Official Registration Payment Receipt



Payment Received By (please print) _____ Total \$ _____ NT

Scout Name (please print) _____ Scout Level _____ Date _____