



FACT SHEET

REGISTRATION FEE INCREASES



The Boy Scouts of America registration fee for Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Venturers and adult volunteers in those programs will increase from \$10.00 to \$15.00 effective **January 1, 2010**. This is the first time the fee has increased since 2003, and the hope is that this fee will hold for several years. All BSA registration fees are passed on directly to the national office and are not utilized by any council. In return, councils receive numerous services and support from the national organization. Please see the Registration Fee Increase FAQ's below to learn more or you may contact the Scout Executive in the council office at 607-732-9047.

Registration Fee Increase FAQ's

- Q.** When does the registration fee increase take effect?
- A.** *All traditional Scouting registrations with a January 1, 2010 effective date or later will pay the new \$15.00 registration fee.*
- Q.** If a unit that expires December 31, 2009 submits their registration renewal online through Internet Rechartering before January 1, 2010, should they pay the current \$10.00 registration fee or the new \$15.00 registration fee?
- A.** *The \$15.00 registration fee since the effective date of the renewal will be January 1, 2010.*
- Q.** If a renewal for a lapsed unit that expired prior to December 31, 2009 is received in the council office after January 1, 2010 but the effective date is backdated to the original expiration date, what registration fee should the unit pay?
- A.** *The \$10.00 registration fee since the effective date of the renewal is before January 1, 2010.*
- Q.** Who pays the new \$15.00 registration fee?
- A.** *All youth and adults registering for traditional Scouting with an effective date of January 1, 2010 or later will pay the new \$15.00 registration fee. This includes all additional enrollments to current units, new units and charter renewals.*
- Q.** Who pays the current \$10.00 registration fee?
- A.** *All youth and adults registrations for traditional Scouting with an effective date of December 1, 2009 or earlier will pay the current \$10.00 registration fee. This includes all additional enrollments to current units, new units and charter renewals.*
- Q.** How does the BSA registration fee compare to other youth organizations in our area?
- A.** *Most fees are significantly higher; activities including little league baseball and football, youth soccer, karate and martial arts, music lessons, dance classes and others generally range from \$50.00 to \$300.00 or more, not including equipment.*
- Q.** What can I do if I have a youth member who cannot afford the fee?
- A.** *Usually the unit will try to help provide all or part of fees for children who cannot pay the fees.*