

How Long is Training Good For?

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Training Recertification

Keeping Scouts safe and keeping Scouting leaders up to date with current information and methods means some of the BSA's training courses need to be retaken every couple of years.

We all know about Youth Protection training and National Camping School, but there are some others—including some that have recently been added to the list.

Below is a list of these courses and how often they should be retaken to be valid:

- Youth Protection—every two years
- National Camping School—good for five camping seasons
- Safe Swim Defense—every two years
- Paddle Craft Safety—every three years
- Aquatics Supervision/Swimming and Water Rescue—every three years
- BSA Lifeguard—every three years
- Visitation training—every two years
- Climbing Lead Instructor—every two years
- Climbing Instructor—every two years
- COPE/Climbing Inspector—every two years
- Safety Afloat—every two years
- Chain Saw Safety—every two years
- Trainer's EDGE—every three years
- Hazardous Weather—every two years
- Physical Wellness—every two years
- Climb On Safely—every two years
- Trek Safely—every two years

As other courses are introduced, or as our committees determine that courses have an “expiration date,” we will post them here—so keep watching!

By the way, the Volunteer Training Committee encourages you to take the most current training courses for your Scouting position even if there is no expiration, or even if you are considered “trained” as a result of taking an older course. It is always better for our Scouts when their leaders stay up to date!