

GUIDELINES: TRAVELING WITH GIRLS IN PRIVATE VEHICLES

Volunteer Essentials, released in October 2010, provided specific guidelines for traveling with girls in private vehicles. There was some confusion about how to stay within GSUSA standards for girl/adult ratios and having two unrelated adults present at all times while traveling in automobiles.

The following is clarification that was recently released by GSUSA --

For planned Girl Scout field trips and other activities, outside the normal time and place, in which a group will be transported in private vehicles:

- Every driver must be an approved adult volunteer and have a good driving record, a valid license, and a registered and insured vehicle.
- Girls never drive other girls.
- If a group is traveling in one vehicle, there must be at least two unrelated, approved adult volunteers in the vehicle, one of whom is female, and the girl-volunteer ratios in Volunteer Essentials must be followed.
- If a group is traveling in more than one vehicle, the entire group must consist of at least two unrelated, approved adult volunteers, one of whom is female, and the girl-volunteer ratios in Volunteer Essentials must be followed. Care should be taken so that a single car (with a single adult driver) is not separated from the group for an extended length of time.
- Also note that the single driver must be female.
- An approved adult volunteer for the purposes of transporting girls must be a registered member of Girl Scouts and has completed the Driver for a Girl Scout Activity Application, which can be found by [CLICKING HERE](#).

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