



Scouting Fee Definitions

- **Annual National BSA membership fee** – this registration fee, which goes entirely to the National BSA, was updated on August 1st, 2021.
 - For youth members with a Pack, Troop, Crew or Ship, the fee will be \$72 for the year and Exploring youth members it is \$45. The membership fee is pro-rated throughout the year when joining.
 - All registered Adult leader's fees will be \$45. Lion and Tiger Adult Partners are not Adult Leaders.
 - Our Recharter will be for 12 months (November 1, 2021 to October 31, 2022).
 - There is no fee when registering in more than one unit (dual or multiple registration). However, if registering in both an Exploring Post and in another unit, membership fees will need to be paid in both.
 - There is no transfer fee.
 - Scout Life magazine (previously named Boys' Life) remains \$12 for the year.
- **New Member Joining Fee** – this fee of \$25, goes entirely to the National BSA was added August 1, 2020.
 - It is paid only one time for a new youth member joining a Pack, Troop, Crew or Ship.
 - Youth who are or who have been registered before with the BSA (even if transferring from another council), do not pay this New Member Joining fee.
 - New Exploring Post youth members do not pay this fee.
 - Adults do not pay this New Member Joining fee, even if registering for the first time.
- **National Unit Liability Insurance Fee** – this \$75 fee goes entirely to the National BSA.
- **Council Activity Fee** – this fee will stay with the Mount Baker Council to support our Council youth programs.
 - For all youth members (including Unit and Venturing Participants), the Council Activity fee will match the National BSA membership fee of \$72.00.
 - For Exploring youth members, the Council Activity fee is \$45 and matches the National membership fee.
 - For all Adult Leaders, the Council Activity fee for 2022 Rechartering will be \$25 (it does not match the membership fee). Since Lion and Tiger Adult Partners are not Adult Leaders, there is no Activity fee for them.
 - New members will pay a pro-rated Council Activity fee throughout the year when they join.
 - This Activity fee includes the insurance fee that was collected for past Recharters.
- **Unit Dues or Fees** – this fee is charged by a unit for its own members to support unit activities. The amount and payment schedule are set by the unit.
- **The Opportunity Fund Membership Assistance application** will be completed and submitted online through the Mount Baker Council website at mountbakerbsa.org (instructions are on the application). The Council will review it and if approved, the Opportunity Fund Membership Assistance award may cover up to 50% of the following: National BSA membership fees, uniform, handbook, Scout Life magazine and the Council Activity fee. It does not cover the national New Member Joining Fee or any unit dues or fees.

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