



ATTENDING SEA BASE COED

Coed Sea Base Crews can attend by following the guidelines for options 1 or 2 below.

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Linked male and female Scouts BSA Troops in one Sea Base Crew

- *Each troop* must have a minimum of 2 adult leaders age 21+ attending in the crew. This is a total of 4 adult leaders age 21+ for a Sea Base crew composed of 1 female troop and 1 male troop that are linked.
- Units who do not share the same charter partner must have local council and charter partner approval to attend together per the BSA Guide to Safe Scouting.
- Scouting's Barriers to Abuse require buddy pairs to be single gender. At least 2 youth members of each gender must be present in each Sea Base Crew to meet requirements for buddy pairs.
- Scouting's Barriers to Abuse require 2 adult leaders age 21+ to attend with each Sea Base Crew. If female youth are present, the Barriers to Abuse specify that at least one of those leaders must be female.

Venturing Crews, Sea Scouting Ships, or Exploring Posts in one Sea Base Crew

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- Venturing, Sea Scouting, and Exploring are coed programs. Members of these programs are welcome to attend in a single Sea Base crew as long as the Barriers to Abuse (below) are met.
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ILLUSTRATING THE COED POLICY

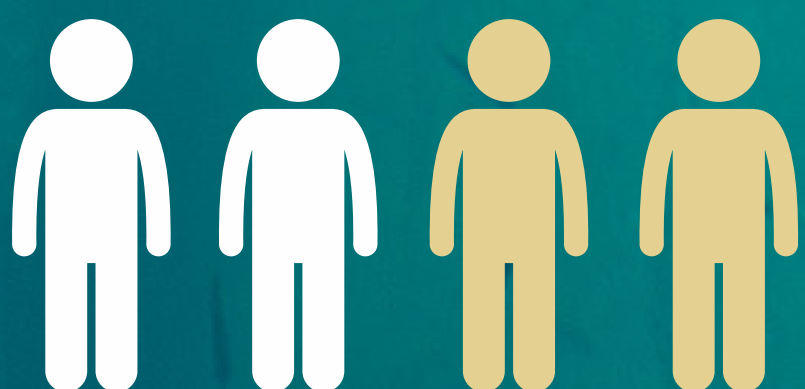
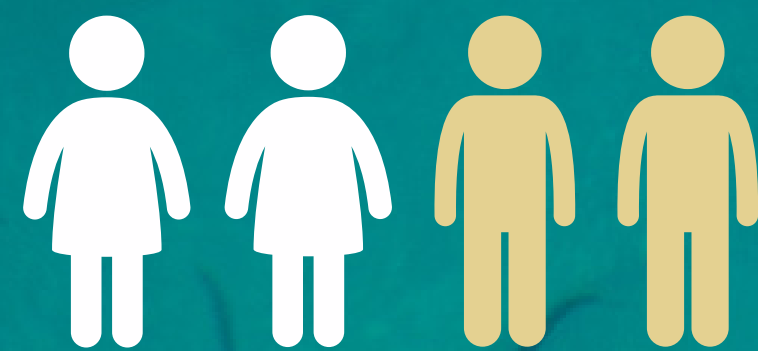
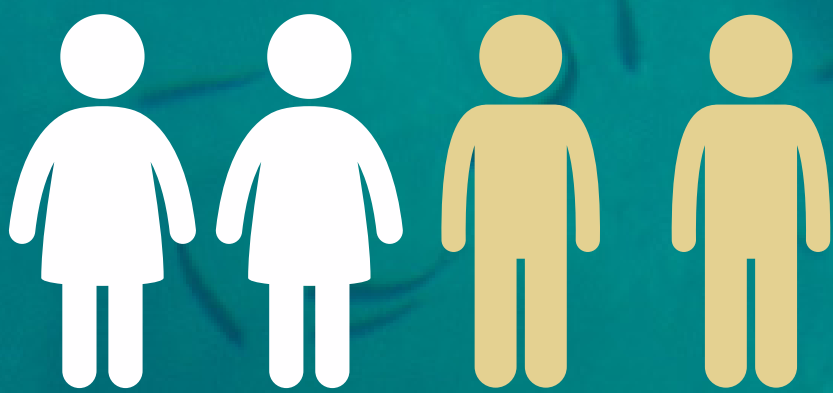
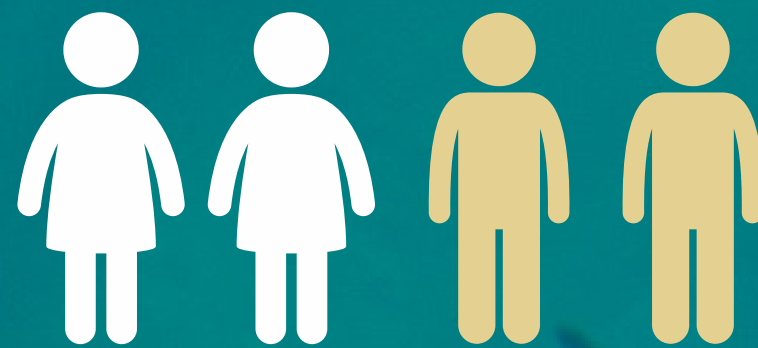
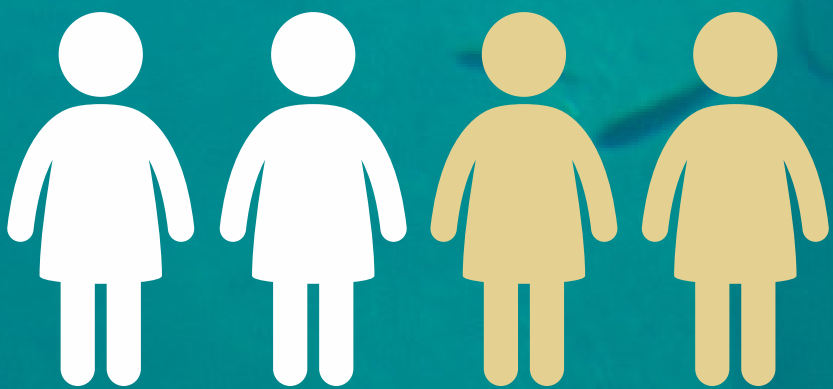
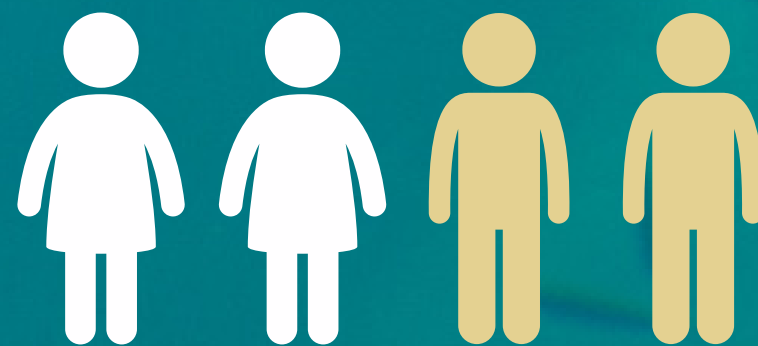
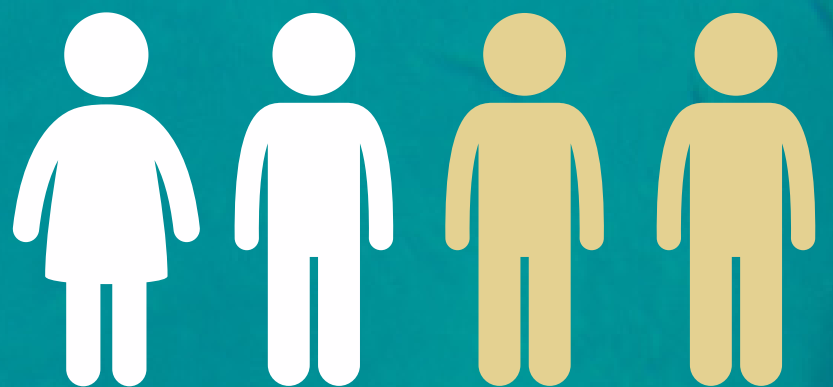
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Linked male and female Scouts BSA Troops in one Sea Base Crew

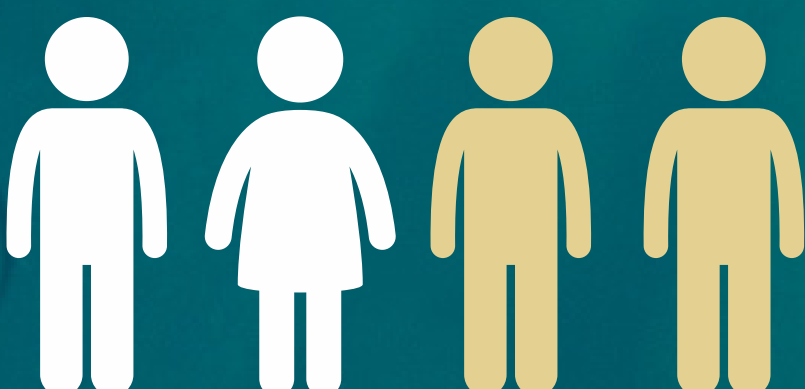
Linked Female Troop (**White**) and **Male Troop (Yellow)** Attending a Sea Base Adventure, example with a maximum of 8 participants

Adult Leaders Age 21+

Youth Participants



A female adult leader is missing. Scouting's Barriers to Abuse are not met.



There are not enough female youth for the attending female to have a same gender buddy. Scouting's Barriers to Abuse are not met. The same is true when there is only 1 male youth present.



Not enough leadership per troop. Because Scouts BSA is a single gendered program, BSA Policy requires each troop to provide their own leadership within the Sea Base Crew. 2 adults must attend with each troop within the Sea Base Crew.

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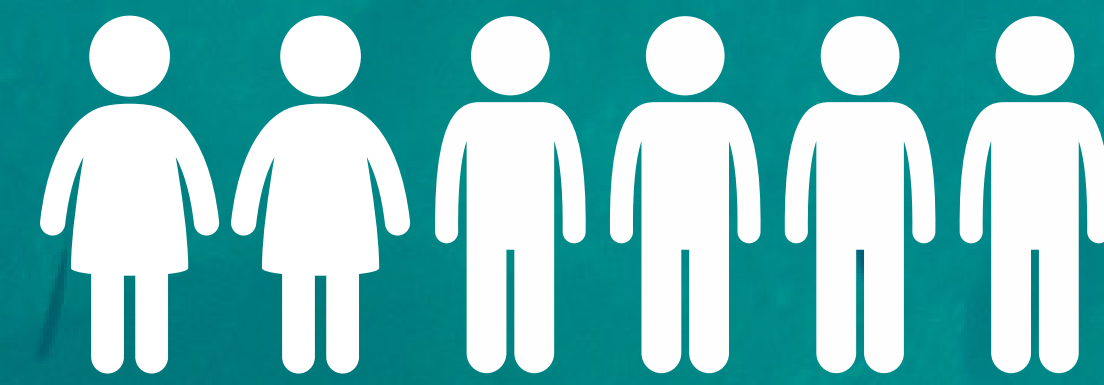
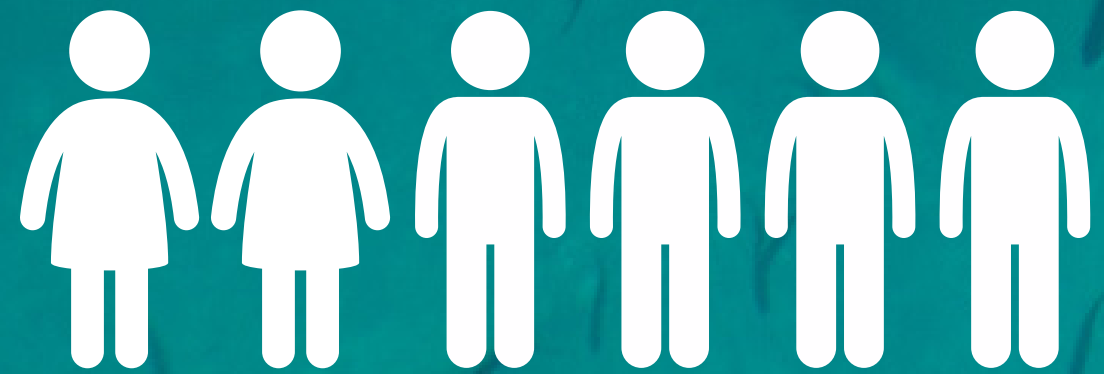
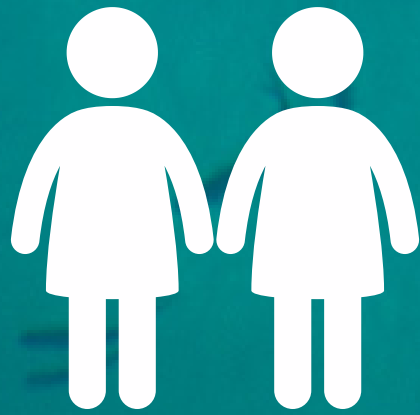
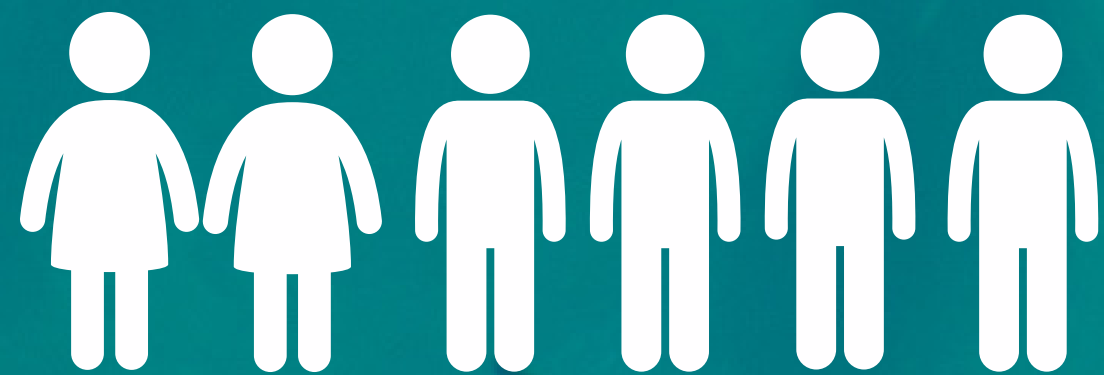
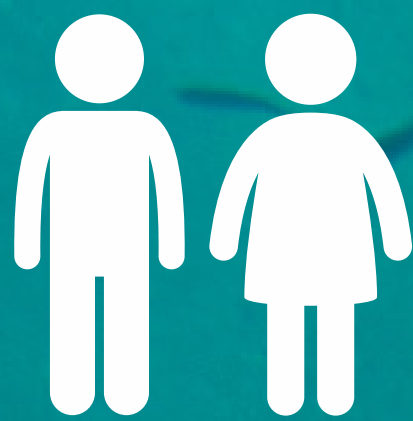
Venturing Crews, Sea Scouting Ships, or Exploring Posts in one Sea Base Crew

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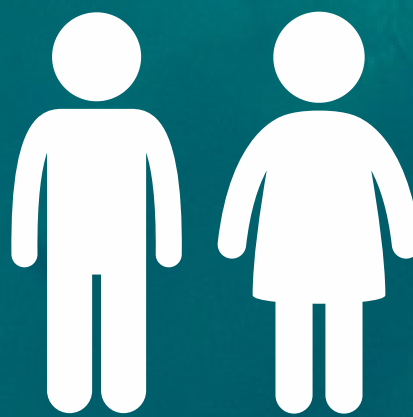
Venturing, Sea Scouting, or Explorer Club/Posts Attending a Sea Base Adventure; example with a maximum of 8 participants

Adult Leaders Age 21+

Youth Participants



A female adult leader is missing. Scouting's Barriers to Abuse are not met.



There are not enough female youth for the attending female to have a same gender buddy. Scouting's Barriers to Abuse are not met.



There are not enough male youth for the attending male to have a same gender buddy. Scouting's Barriers to Abuse are not met.

HELPFUL INFORMATION

1. Individuals are permitted to dual register with multiple units. If your members are interested in attending Sea Base as a coed crew but are having difficulty meeting the co-participation requirements of male and female Scouts BSA troops, **your participants may join an existing Venturing, Sea Scouting, or Exploring Post in your area** to attend activities like High Adventure as a coed group.
2. Scouting groups can also charter as a Venturing Crew, Sea Scouting Ship or Exploring Post to participate in activities like High Adventure as a coed group.
3. If your Scouts are too young to join Venturing, Exploring has a lower minimum age requirement to join.

If your unit decides to adjust your membership to a Venturing Crew, Sea Scouting Ship or Exploring Post, include the new unit type and number for each participant when your Sea Base Crew Roster is being filled out.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Can 2 adult females lead an all-male Sea Base Crew?

A: Yes, according to Scouting's Barriers to Abuse.

Q: Can 2 adult males lead an all-female or coed Sea Base Crew?

A: No, according to Scouting's Barriers to Abuse, at least 1 *female* adult leader age 21+ is required to attend in a coed or all-female Sea Base Crew.

Q: Can 2 adult leaders serve as a buddy pair for a youth who does not have a same-gendered buddy?

A: No, this does not meet Scouting's Barriers to Abuse.

Q: How many adult leaders can attend in a single Sea Base Crew?

A: A *minimum* of 2 adults age 21+ are required to attend with each crew. Adult leaders age 21+ should compose no more than half of the total attendees in a single Sea Base Crew.

If you have questions or your Sea Base Crew is having difficulty with these requirements due to circumstances beyond your control, please contact us at SeaBase.Events@scouting.org, include your Expedition Number, and we will direct your inquiry accordingly.