

**Occoneechee Council, BSA**  
**Updated YPT Compliance Procedures**  
**23APR2023**

On March 23, 2023, the Executive Board of the Occoneechee Council, BSA, passed a resolution requiring that re-registering or re-chartering adult scouters including Merit Badge Counselors (MBCs) must have a YPT certification that does not expire before the end of the term they are seeking to re-register or re-charter for. The purpose of this resolution was to reach our goal of 100% compliance.

During the re-chartering process the Unit needs to review all Scouter's YPT Certification and be sure to not include anyone whose YPT expires before the end of the recharter term. Should an application for re-charter contain one or more names of adult scouters whose YPT Certification will expire before the end of the term of the chartering period, those adult scouters will be flagged and treated as Charter defects. The Unit will have to either have those Scouters complete their YPT or be dropped from their Recharter Application. The Council YPT Champion will ensure that the District YPT Champions provide adequate notice of such action to the District and Chartering Unit Key-3. For MBCs the Council YPT Champion will be provide adequate notice to the Council Key-3 and the Council Advancement Chair.

During the remainder of 2023 should an adult scouter's YPT certification expire, The District YPT Champions will notify them in advance of the expiration date and provide information on how to enroll in the On-line YPT Certification training program. Should they not complete the required YPT Certification Training before their current YPT Certification expires, they will be granted a grace period of thirty days to complete the training. During this grace period, the Scouter's or MBC's Registration will be in administrative suspension. This suspension will require that the Scouter or MBC NOT PARTICIPATE in any activity where YPT Certification of that individual is required. Troop Meetings and other non-overnight activities may be attended, but ONLY if the required YPT Guidelines are met by other currently certified YPT Scouters. If, after the grace period has expired, the Scouter or MBC has still not renewed their YPT Certification, their registration will be

cancelled. In order to re-register all standard protocols and procedures (including requisite fees) will apply.

Also, for the remainder of 2023:

- 1) If members of the US Armed Forces are deployed when their YPT Certification expires, they will be granted the same thirty-days to comply through the Armed Forces Internet Access Program available to them. If, after the thirty-days, their certification is still not current, the same de-registration will apply.
- 2) All other US Government or civilian employees who are temporarily assigned to out of country (USA) postings will be required to use available government or independent internet access to meet YPT requirements.

Any special circumstances that may arise for which this set of procedures might be deemed non-applicable, will be adjudicated by the Occoneechee Council Key-3. The Council CEO will have absolute discretion over such decisions.

Robert N. Shelton  
Council YPT Champion  
VP-District Operations