

Girl Scouts of Southern Illinois

Team Challenge Course

What's it all about? Patches are available for girls and adults who participate in either a 2-hour Game Session, 3-hour Game Session or 6-hour Team Session at Camp Torqua in Edwardsville. A trained facilitator will work with your troop to develop teamwork within your group. All sessions will include games, initiatives and problem solving activities to develop skill in teamwork, trust, problem solving, self-concept, conflict resolution, leadership and communication.

- ▶ The **Two-Hour Team Blast** is an exciting session option and can be held at your school or place of business. Sessions are led by trained facilitators who will provide a fun and safe learning experience by using games that are different from the 3-hour and 6-hour options. These games may include blindfold jigsaw, Little Comet's Mystic Journey, Create a Monster, and Chimes! Games are selected based on the experience and age of the troops. **The two-hour session is not available at Camp Torqua.**

2-Hour Team Blast Information

6 years and up • GSSI Girl Scouts: \$8 each (\$10 each at Camp Butterfly)
Cost includes program & activity patch.

- ▶ The **3-hour Team Challenge Session**, located at Camp Torqua, is filled with activities to encourage team building and positive group play. The Team Challenge Session encourages cooperation, problem solving, and self-development, which strengthens troop relationships. The 3-hour session's activities use game elements and initiatives. The trained facilitator determines how the group will progress in activities by evaluating the group's strengths and weaknesses. The level of teamwork demonstrated will determine if a group will advance to an actual Team Challenge Course element. **Most troops who participate in the 3-hour Team Challenge Session will not be using elements on the Team Challenge Course.**

3-Hour Team Challenge Information

8 years and up • GSSI Girl Scouts: \$9 each • Cost includes program & activity patch

- ▶ The **6-hour Low Ropes Challenge**, also only available at Camp Torqua, begins by new and different games and initiatives that were utilized in the 3-hour Team Challenge to encourage team building and positive group play. Once the trained facilitator determines that the troop has progressed to a level of trust and teamwork the session moves to the Team Challenge Low Ropes Course. The Team Challenge Course is an area of wooden beams and cables constructed to provide a series of mental and physical challenges. The trained facilitator always utilizes the "Challenge by Choice" philosophy allowing participants to progress at their own skill and comfort levels. The level of teamwork demonstrated will determine if a group will complete all elements on the course. **Most troops who participate in the 6-hour team session will not complete all the elements on the course.**

6-Hour Low Ropes Challenge Information

11 years old and up • GSSI Girl Scouts: \$9 each • Cost includes program & activity patch.

Reservations: Groups must have a minimum of 8 and a maximum of 30 participants. Groups may request a specialized session to suit particular needs or meet special goals. Two-hour sessions are available at each Girl Scout camp excluding Camp Torqua. Full payment is due with reservation. Reservations must be made FOUR weeks prior to the event date. Adult supervision is required. Confirmation, permission/health forms and information sheets will be mailed. Make checks payable to GSSI and mail reservations to: Girl Scouts of Southern Illinois, #4 Ginger Creek Parkway, Glen Carbon, IL 62034. For more information, please call (618) 692-0692.

Refunds: A full refund will be given if cancellation is made 14 days prior to event. After this time, no refunds will be allowed.

Team Challenge Course Girl Scout Reservation Form

Leader: _____

Address: _____

City/State/ZIP: _____

Phone: _____

Service Unit _____ Troop # _____ Grade Level _____

Yes, give my phone number to the facilitator for emergency use

of youth: _____ # of adults _____

Total # of Participants _____

X (fee per person) \$ _____

= Total Fee \$ _____

Requested Date, Session and Time:

Date: _____ Time: _____

2-Hour 3-Hour 6-Hour

Location (2-hour only): _____

For Specialized Sessions:

What is your group's goal for the session?

What skills would you like to work on during the session (i.e. communication, teamwork, problem solving, leadership, group relationship, cooperation, etc).

Does the group have experience with the Teams Course or Team Building? If so, please describe.

Describe your expectations for the day. (See session descriptions before responding to this question).