

# Girl Delegate Position Description

<b>VOLUNTEER POSITION:</b>	Council Girl Delegate/Alternate
<b>PURPOSE:</b>	Represents membership of the Region, as indicated in the <u>Policy for the Designation of Regions, Election of Delegates and Appointments of Delegate and Regional Chairs</u>
<b>ACCOUNTABILITY:</b>	Represents the Region but is accountable to the membership of the Council.
<b>SERVICE COMMITMENT:</b>	1-year term

## RESPONSIBILITIES AND PRINCIPAL DUTIES:

- Participate in delegate training and delegate meetings.
- Attend and participate in Regional meetings.
- Attend and participate in Council meetings (Annual Meeting).
- Report and communicate the business of the Corporation as conducted at Regional and Council meetings to local members.
- Assist in the collection of information and/or feedback from members for the benefit of the Board of Directors and any Board designated committee, task group, or group.

## QUALIFICATIONS:

- Be a GSUSA member fourteen (14) years of age or to eighteen (18) years of age on or before October 1<sup>st</sup> immediately preceding her election.
- Be a GSUSA member registered through the Girl Scouts of Michigan Shore to Shore council prior to election and throughout the term of service.
- Be in good standing with the Girl Scouts of Michigan Shore to Shore Council prior to election and throughout the term of service in this position.
- Commit to the Girl Scout mission.

## SKILLS:

- Knowledge of the Girl Scout movement.
- Good communication skills.
- Sound judgment and objectivity when analyzing issues.
- Willingness to devote sufficient time to fulfill the responsibilities of the position.
- Support of Council goals and adhere to the Council Affirmative Action Policy of no discrimination by race, sex, creed, national origin, religion, socio-economic status, handicap, or age.

## Understanding of Inclusiveness

Girl Scouting provides opportunities and resources to prepare girls to seek and meet the challenges of an ever-changing society. As we participate in the Girl Scout program we **welcome, embrace, appreciate** and **live our values** with others.

As a member of Girl Scouts of Michigan Shore to Shore I am committed to the following principles and will practice them at all times. I will also welcome feedback from my peers as I learn about the variety of backgrounds in my community.

### *I will:*

#### **WELCOME**

1. Seek out girls from a variety of backgrounds\* and welcome them into my troop/group/activity/pathway.
2. Honor both similarities and differences by including girls and adults in Girl Scouting who bring with them a variety of backgrounds.
3. Strive to get to know, beyond a surface level, girls and adults from a variety of backgrounds, interests, talents and skills.

#### **EMBRACE**

4. Encourage and participate in dialogue with fellow Girl Scouts that embraces the variety of ideas and opinions, making Girl Scouting a great place to prepare to meet the challenges of an ever-changing society.
5. Seek out and include opinions and information from as many sources and perspectives as possible when planning and making decisions that affect my troop/group/activity/pathway.
6. Make sure that Girl Scouting is welcoming for girls by including a variety of options in planning and implementing programs and activities.

#### **APPRECIATE**

7. Take advantage of opportunities to step outside of my own culture to experience, learn about and appreciate the world around me.
8. As a result of stepping outside of my own culture, identify and practice behaviors that are respectful of all people.

#### **LIVE OUR VALUES**

9. Think about how I use my personal resources (time, money, talents) and seek to share my resources in situations and places where the values of including and respecting others are welcomed.
10. Make sure that our communications (newsletters, announcements and other written materials) reflect the diversity of our troop/group/activity/pathway and are respectful of all people.

\*Each background is a unique combination of race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender, socio-economic status, age, geographic origin, size, physical and mental ability, family, religion, opinions, talents, skills, experiences, education, profession, interests, personality, and hobbies.

#### **IN PRESENTING THIS POSITION DESCRIPTION, GIRL SCOUTS OF MICHIGAN SHORE TO SHORE WILL:**

1. Provide program and adult learning opportunities.
2. Provide access to resource materials.
3. Provide a system of support through the Delegate Chair.

**APPOINTMENT AND TERM:**

Each Region will elect two (2) girl delegates as indicated in the above stated Policy. Girls within each region can submit an application for nomination to be a delegate from that Region as an indication of willingness to serve. Girl delegates will be elected at Regional meetings. Each region may elect two (2) alternate girl delegates. In the event that an elected girl delegate is unable to perform any duties during her term, the alternate may serve as the delegate.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Region: \_\_\_\_\_

I accept the above commitment and responsibilities set forth for the Council Girl Delegate/Alternate position. I have read the position description and agree to carry out my responsibilities as described. I understand I may choose to resign if I feel I cannot fulfill the responsibilities of the position and will notify the Regional Chair.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Delegate Chair  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*Please sign and return this page to the Delegate Chair.*