Youth Members Turning 18 – Registration & Compliance Requirements

As part of ongoing safety and compliance efforts, the following guidance applies to youth members who have recently turned 18 or will turn 18 within the current month.

🔔 1. Youth Turning 18

- Youth members who have already turned 18 must complete adult registration within **30 days from notification**.
- Youth members turning 18 this month must complete adult registration within **30 days of their 18th birthday**.

Failure to complete the registration process within the required 30-day timeframe will result in **temporary suspension of membership**.

📝 2. Registration Process:

These youth members must follow these steps to register as exploring participants:

1. ✅ **Complete Safeguarding Youth Training**
   www.scouting.org/training/youth-protection
2. 📄 **Submit CORI & ID**
   Complete the **State of Massachusetts CORI** and upload their **ID** using this secure link: https://hipaa.jotform.com/232543180609050
3. 🖊️ **Fill Out the current Exploring Adult Application** FINAL-1a_524-01019-Explor-Adult-App_WEB.pdf
   - **Page 5**: Sign and date.
   - **Page 6**: Initial all statements, then sign, and date.
   - Application must be approved by the **Executive Officer, Advisor or Committee Chair** (no other signatures are acceptable).
   - Signatures must be **handwritten or digitally verified**.

📨 3. Membership Status & Application Submission

- If the individual's **membership has not expired**, they must complete and submit the **paper adult application**.
- If the individual's **membership expires before the transition to adult registration is complete**, they will be required to submit an **online adult application instead**.
- Email the completed application and Youth Protection Training certificate to: **membership@scoutingboston.org**

🔍 4. Background Checks

- A national background check
- A Commonwealth of Massachusetts background check

Membership will be reinstated once **both checks are successfully completed**.

🚫 5. Activity Participation:

- Until registered as Exploring Participants these individuals **cannot participate in activities**.
- Please ensure they are aware of this restriction.

Questions & Support

For questions or assistance, please contact the membership team at: membership@scoutingboston.org

⚠️ **NOTE:** If an 18-year-old's membership **expires before completing these steps**, the **paper application will not be accepted**. They will be required to **complete the online adult application** to register as an Exploring Participant.