

§ 80302. Purposes

The purposes of the corporation are—
 (1) to promote the qualities of truth, loyalty, helpfulness, friendliness, courtesy, purity, kindness, obedience, cheerfulness, thriftiness, and kindred virtues among girls, as a preparation for their responsibilities in the home and for service to the community;
 (2) to direct and coordinate the Girl Scout movement in the United States and territories and possessions of the United States; and
 (3) to fix and maintain standards for the movement that will inspire the rising generation with the highest ideals of character, patriotism, conduct, and attainment.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
80302	36:33 (words before 19th comma).	Mar. 16, 1950, ch. 62, §3 (words before 19th comma), 64 Stat. 23.

§ 80303. Governing body

(a) NATIONAL COUNCIL.—(1) There shall be a National Council of Girl Scouts. The number, qualifications, and term of office of members of the Council are as provided in the constitution of the corporation, except that members of the Council must be citizens of the United States.
 (2) The Council may adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws and elect a board of directors, officers, and agents.
 (3) The constitution may prescribe the number of members of the Council necessary for a quorum. That number may be less than a majority of the entire Council.
 (4) Meetings of the Council shall be held as provided in the constitution to hold elections and receive reports of the officers and board of directors. Special meetings may be called as provided in the constitution.
 (b) BOARD OF DIRECTORS.—(1) To the extent provided in the constitution and bylaws, the board of directors shall have the powers of the Council and manage the activities of the corporation between meetings of the Council. The number, qualifications, and term of office of directors are as provided in the constitution.
 (2) The constitution may prescribe the number of directors necessary for a quorum. That number shall be at least 20 or two-fifths of the entire board.
 (c) EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMITTEES.—The bylaws may provide for—
 (1) an executive committee to carry out the powers of the board of directors between meetings of the board; and
 (2) other committees to operate under the general supervision of the board of directors.
 (d) LOCATION OF MEETINGS AND RECORDS.—The Council and the board of directors may hold meetings and keep the seal and records of the corporation in or outside the District of Columbia.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
80303(a)(1) ..	36:34 (1st sentence words before 1st comma, 2d sentence).	Mar. 16, 1950, ch. 62, §§4 (1st-7th sentences), 5, 64 Stat. 23, 24; Aug. 14, 1953, ch. 486, §1, 67 Stat. 582.
80303(a)(2) ..	36:34 (1st sentence words after 1st comma).	
80303(a)(3) ..	36:34 (3d sentence).	
80303(a)(4) ..	36:35 (1st, 2d sentences).	
80303(b)(1) ..	36:34 (4th sentence words before 1st comma, 5th, 7th sentences).	
80303(b)(2) ..	36:34 (6th sentence).	
80303(c)	36:34 (4th sentence words after 1st comma).	
80303(d)	36:35 (last sentence).	

In subsection (a)(1), the words “(hereinafter referred to as the ‘national council’)” are omitted as unnecessary.

In subsection (a)(3), the words “entire Council” are substituted for “whole number” for clarity.

In subsection (b)(1), the first sentence is substituted for “The affairs of the corporation between meetings of the national council shall be managed by a board of directors” and “The board of directors, to the extent provided in the constitution and bylaws, shall have the powers of the national council, in the interim between its meetings” to eliminate unnecessary words.

§ 80304. Powers

The corporation may—
 (1) adopt and amend a constitution, bylaws, and regulations, including regulations for the election of associates and successors;
 (2) adopt and alter a seal;
 (3) have offices and conduct its activities in the District of Columbia and in the States, territories, and possessions of the United States;
 (4) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property, and use any income from the property, as necessary to carry out the purposes of the corporation;
 (5) sue and be sued within the jurisdiction of the United States; and
 (6) do any other act necessary to carry out this chapter and the purposes of the corporation.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
80304	36:32 (words after 2d comma). 36:34 (last sentence). 36:38.	Mar. 16, 1950, ch. 62, §§2 (words after 2d comma), 8, 64 Stat. 23, 24. Mar. 16, 1950, ch. 62, §4 (last sentence), 64 Stat. 23; Aug. 14, 1953, ch. 486, §1, 67 Stat. 582.

In this section, the text of 36:38 is omitted as executed and obsolete.

In clause (1), the word “amend” is substituted for “and from time to time to alter such constitution, bylaws, rules, and regulations” for consistency in the revised title and to eliminate unnecessary words. The word “rules” is omitted as included in “regulations”. The words “not inconsistent with the laws of the United States, or any State thereof” are omitted as unnecessary.