

**§ 80103. Constitution and bylaws**

The corporation shall have a constitution and may adopt bylaws for the admission and qualifications of members, the management of its property, and the regulation of its affairs. The corporation may amend its constitution and bylaws.

(Pub. L. 105-225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1360.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
80103 .....	36:3503 (1st sentence).	Mar. 3, 1901, ch. 860, §3 (1st sentence), 31 Stat. 1439.

The words “at pleasure” are omitted as unnecessary.

**§ 80104. Property**

The corporation may—

- (1) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary to carry out the purposes of the corporation; and
- (2) issue instruments of indebtedness in relation to its real property.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
80104 .....	36:3502.	Mar. 3, 1901, ch. 860, §2, 31 Stat. 1439; Apr. 6, 1922, ch. 121, 42 Stat. 490; June 7, 1934, ch. 425, 48 Stat. 925; Dec. 15, 1975, Pub. L. 94-151, §1, 89 Stat. 809.

Clause (1) is substituted for “acquire, by devise, bequest, or otherwise, hold, purchase, and convey such real and personal estate as shall or may be required for the purpose of its incorporation with authority in said corporation, should it be by it deemed necessary so to do, to mortgage or otherwise encumber the real estate which it may hereafter own or acquire” for consistency in the revised title and to eliminate unnecessary words.

Clause (2) is substituted for “and may give therefor such evidences of indebtedness as such corporation may decide upon” to eliminate unnecessary words. The word “instruments” is substituted for “evidences” for consistency in the revised title.

**§ 80105. Principal office and meetings**

(a) PRINCIPAL OFFICE.—The principal office of the corporation shall be in the District of Columbia.

(b) MEETINGS.—The corporation may hold its meetings at places outside the District of Columbia.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
80105(a) .....	36:3503 (last sentence).	Mar. 3, 1901, ch. 860, §3 (last sentence), 31 Stat. 1439.
80105(b) .....	36:3504.	Mar. 3, 1901, ch. 860, §4, as added Apr. 28, 1904, ch. 1790, 33 Stat. 542; June 7, 1934, ch. 425, 48 Stat. 925.

In subsection (b), the word “may” is substituted for “be, and it is hereby, authorized to”, and the words “as it from time to time may deem best” are omitted, to eliminate unnecessary words.

**§ 80106. Distribution of assets on dissolution**

On dissolution of the corporation, the board of directors shall liquidate and distribute its assets to organizations qualified as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (26 U.S.C. 501(c)(3)) with purposes similar to those of the corporation.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

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80106 .....	36:3501(c).	Mar. 3, 1901, ch. 860, §1(c), as added Aug. 7, 1986, Pub. L. 99-376, §1(3), 100 Stat. 804.

**CHAPTER 803—GIRL SCOUTS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

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**§ 80301. Organization**

(a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—Girl Scouts of the United States of America (in this chapter, the “corporation”) is a body corporate and politic of the District of Columbia.

(b) DOMICILE.—The domicile of the corporation is the District of Columbia.

(c) PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.—Except as otherwise provided, the corporation has perpetual existence.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
80301 .....	36:31.	Mar. 16, 1950, ch. 62, §§1, 2 (words before 2d comma), 64 Stat. 22.
	36:32 (words before 2d comma).	

This section is substituted for the source provisions for consistency in the revised title and to eliminate executed and unnecessary words.

**§ 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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