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Or  
Choose **YOUR** WWMD  
anytime from March 22  
until December 31!

Girl Scouts can work toward earning the *Get with the Land* or *Water Drop* patches by participating in World Water Monitoring Day (WWMD). Specific patch requirements, along with the Linking Girls to the Land Resources Guide and links to other Girl Scout awards, are available at [www.epa.gov/linkinggirls](http://www.epa.gov/linkinggirls).

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Take part and earn credit  
toward a patch!



## Why World Water Monitoring Day?

World Water Monitoring Day (WWMD) is a yearly opportunity for people of all ages, nationalities and backgrounds to learn more about their local water resources while taking part in a global water quality monitoring effort.

The monitoring tests are safe, easy and may be performed anytime from March 22 through December 31. The official "Day" is observed September 18.

The tests include dissolved oxygen (DO), acidity (pH), turbidity (or clarity) and temperature.

WWMD data is published online each year at [www.WorldWaterMonitoringDay.org](http://www.WorldWaterMonitoringDay.org) so that people all over the world can see the monitoring results.



## Why Should Girl Scouts Participate?

By taking part in World Water Monitoring Day, Girl Scouts:

**Discover** and explore their local water resources. They develop scientific monitoring skills that enable them to investigate the health of local water sources and think critically about how it impacts them.

**Connect** with others locally and globally by teaming up on a worldwide effort.

**Take Action** by sharing their results and experiences locally and via the worldwide database. Girls also inspire awareness about water quality monitoring and positively impact the health of the rivers, lakes, estuaries and other water resources.

In addition, Girl Scouts can work toward earning the Get with the Land and Water Drop patches. Girl Scouts become leaders with courage, confidence and character who make the world a better place.

## Linking Girls to the Land

World Water Monitoring Day is part of the *Linking Girls to the Land* program. *Linking Girls to the Land* (LGTTL) is a partnership between Girl Scouts, the Elliott Wildlife Values Project and federal natural resources agencies, like the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). LGTTL encourages Girl Scouts to work with agencies to become leaders of national and local projects focused on environmental education, outdoor skills, community service, careers and more. More information is available on the LGTTL website at: [www.epa.gov/linkinggirls](http://www.epa.gov/linkinggirls).

## How to Join In:

Participation in World Water Monitoring Day is fun, easy and important. You can join in by:

**Selecting a Safe Site.** Choose a site that is on public property, is easily accessible and is removed from traffic and other hazards.

**Registering Your Site.** Register at the World Water Monitoring Day website by selecting the "Participate" tab and following instructions. Be sure to check that you are affiliated with the Girl Scouts of the USA when prompted!

**Preparing Your Equipment.** Purchase a low-cost WWMD test kit. Follow the instructions found on the "Test Kits" tab at [www.WorldWaterMonitoringDay.org](http://www.WorldWaterMonitoringDay.org).

**Monitoring Your Site.** Monitor with adult supervision anytime between March 22 and December 31. Never sample alone, at night, or during or after a storm.

**Reporting Your Data.** Report data for inclusion in the worldwide summary. Submit your results by December 31.

## We Can Help!

E-mail WWMD at [wwmd@wef.org](mailto:wwmd@wef.org) and get connected to a program partner for additional resources and activities. You can also find supplemental materials such as puzzles and an instructional DVD at: [www.WorldWaterMonitoringDay.org](http://www.WorldWaterMonitoringDay.org).