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30905. Exclusive right to emblems, badges, marks, and words.
30906. Restrictions.
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§ 30901. Organization

(a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—Boy Scouts 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.

(Pub. L. 105–225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1325.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	*Source (U.S. Code)*	*Source (Statutes at Large)*
30901	36:21. 36:22 (words before 2d comma).	June 15, 1916, ch. 148, §§1, 2 (words before 2d comma), 39 Stat. 227.

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

§ 30902. Purposes

The purposes of the corporation are to promote, through organization, and cooperation with other agencies, the ability of boys to do things for themselves and others, to train them in scoutcraft, and to teach them patriotism, courage, self-reliance, and kindred virtues, using the methods that were in common use by boy scouts on June 15, 1916.

(Pub. L. 105–225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1325.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	*Source (U.S. Code)*	*Source (Statutes at Large)*
30902	36:23.	June 15, 1916, ch. 148, §3, 39 Stat. 228.

§ 30903. Governing body

(a) EXECUTIVE BOARD.—An executive board composed of citizens of the United States is the governing body of the corporation. The number, qualifications, and term of office of members of the board are as provided in the bylaws. A vacancy on the board shall be filled by a majority vote of the remaining members of the board.

(b) QUORUM.—The bylaws may prescribe the number of members of the board necessary for a quorum. That number may be less than a majority of the entire board.

(c) COMMITTEES.—(1) The board, by resolution passed by a majority of the entire board, may designate 3 or more members of the board as an executive or governing committee. A majority of the committee is a quorum. The committee, to the extent provided in the resolution or bylaws, may—

(A) exercise the powers of the executive board in managing the activities of the corporation; and

(B) authorize the seal of the corporation to be affixed to papers that may require it.

(2) The board, by majority vote of the entire board, may appoint other standing committees. The standing committees may exercise powers as provided in the bylaws.

(Pub. L. 105–225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1325.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	*Source (U.S. Code)*	*Source (Statutes at Large)*
30903(a)	36:25 (1st–4th sentences).	June 15, 1916, ch. 148, §5 (1st–5th, 7th, 8th sentences), 39 Stat. 228.
30903(b)	36:25 (5th sentence).	
30903(c)	36:25 (7th, 8th sentences).	

In subsection (a), the text of 36:25 (3d sentence) is omitted as executed and obsolete.

In subsection (c)(1)(A), the words ''have and'' are omitted as unnecessary. The word ''activities'' is substituted for ''business affairs'' for consistency in the revised title.

In subsection (c)(1)(B), the words ''have power to'' are omitted as unnecessary.

§ 30904. Powers

(a) GENERAL.—The corporation may—

(1) adopt and amend bylaws and regulations, including regulations for the election of associates and successors;

(2) adopt and alter a corporate seal;

(3) have offices and conduct its activities in the District of Columbia and the States, territories, and possessions of the United States;

(4) acquire and own 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 promote the purpose of the corporation.

(b) LIMITATIONS ON EXERCISING CERTAIN POWERS.—(1) The corporation may execute mortgages and liens on the property of the corporation only if approved by a two-thirds vote of the entire executive board at a meeting called for that purpose.

(2) The corporation may dispose in any manner of the whole property of the corporation only with the written consent and affirmative vote of a majority of the members of the corporation.

(Pub. L. 105–225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1325.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	*Source (U.S. Code)*	*Source (Statutes at Large)*
30904(a)	36:22 (words after 2d comma). 36:24 (words before semicolon).	June 15, 1916, ch. 148, §§2 (words after 2d comma), 4 (words before semicolon), 5 (6th, last sentences), 39 Stat. 227, 228.
30904(b)(1) ..	36:25 (6th sentence).	
30904(b)(2) ..	36:25 (last sentence).	

In subsection (a)(1), the word ''make'' is omitted as included in ''adopt''. The word ''amend'' is added for consistency in the revised title and because of 36:25 (6th sentence). The words ''not inconsistent with the laws of