

National Capital Area Council Popcorn Program Unit Kernel Checklist

TIMELINE	TASKS	
JUNE	0	Unit popcorn kernel recruited
	0	Sign-up to participate in the 2024 Popcorn Program at:
		www.ncacbsa.org/popcorn
	0	Reserve Show & Sale sites through the Trail's End Leader's portal
	0	Prepare unit budget and popcorn fundraising goals
JULY/AUGUST	0	Attend Popcorn Training seminar
	0	Hold a Popcorn kick-off for your unit
	0	Log-in and get familiar with the ordering system at: sell.trails-end.com
	0	Have the Scouts create accounts through the Trail's End app.
	0	Contact local stores/churches/restaurants to find additional show & sell
		locations not already reserved by Trail's End or your district
THROUGOUT	0	Encourage Scouts to participate in online sales
SALE	0	Promote incentives and keep Scouts focused on a sales goal
	0	Provide and fill as many store front sales opportunities as possible
	0	Keep in contact with your Scouts and their parents/guardians regarding
		deadlines and information
AUGUST	0	Scouts start take-order sales!
	0	Place first order by Aug. 2
	0	Pick-up first order on Aug. 16/17 (Check the Popcorn Guidebook for
		locations, dates, and hours)
	0	Show & Sales start
	0	Wagon sales start
SEPTEMBER	0	Place second order by September 6 (distribution on Sept. 21)
	0	First Inventory replenishment opportunity on Sept. 7 (order by Sept. 2)
OCTOBER	0	Place third order by Oct. 4 (distribution on Oct. 19)
	0	Second Inventory replenishment opportunity on Oct. 5 (order by Sept. 30)
	0	Review inventory and complete popcorn returns from Oct. 21-26
	0	Encourage military/first responder donation sales
NOVEMBER	0	Place final order by Nov. 1 (distribution on Saturday, Nov. 16 at 2 Men and
		a Truck and Marriott Scout Service Center (MSSC) only) (Check the
		Leader's Guide for your distribution site)
	0	Review online dashboard and review invoice
	0	Collect Scout's money with checks made out to your unit
	0	Pay any balance due to NCAC
ON OR BEFORE	0	Double check Scout totals and submit rewards order in the Trail's End
DECEMBER 1		system
	0	Celebrate a successful popcorn program!