

Major Features Comparison:

	ScoutSoft BSA Certified	Troopmaster BSA Certified	BSAWebHost (1) Not Certified	EtrailtoEagle (1) Not Certified	TroopTrack (1) Not Certified
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(Nonauthoritative - Results based upon limited review of software or the vendor's webpages. See below for updating information)

BSA Units - Pack, Troop, Team, Crew

	All	All	Troop Only	Troop Only	Troop Only
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BSA Certification & Advancement Monitoring:

BSA Certified Software for BSA Units	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Tracks All Four BSA Scouting Programs	Yes	Yes (1)	No	No	No
Tiger Cubs included in Cub Program	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Double Tracking Required by All Leaders	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Upload Current Advancement Reports to Council	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Upload Advancement History to Council	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Upload Charters to Council	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Upload Additional Enrollment to Council	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Properly Monitors Trail to Eagle	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Properly Assigns Merit Badges by Rank	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Properly Monitors Time between ALL Ranks	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Monitors Count Down to Age 18	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Monitors Required Service Hours	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Monitors Required Leadership Months	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Monitors Required Patrol Activities	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Monitors Status of Uncompleted Key Requirements	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Monitors All BSA Required Personal Information	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Monitors Camp Outs for Camping MB	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Monitors Eagle Project Completion Date Separately	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Monitors Leaders Training	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Monitors Special Needs Advancement	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Reports Viewable on most Mobile Devices	Yes	No	No	No	No
Fund Raising Activities and Sales	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Unk

Sponsor Compliance & Security:

BSA Copyright Compliant/Violates	Compliant	Compliant	Violates (3)	Violates (3)	Violates (3)
Users BSA Copyright Compliant/Violates	Compliant	Compliant	Violates (3)	Violates (3)	Violates (3)
Sponsor Leaders BSA Copyright Compliant/Violates	Compliant	Compliant	Violates (3)	Violates (3)	Violates (3)
FTP or Internet Database Controlled by Sponsor	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Leaders ONLY may change Rank & MB dates	Yes	No	No	No	Unk

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Operating Systems-All Programs:					
Windows Database	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Mac Database	Yes	No	No	No	No
Linux Database	Yes	No	No	No	No
FTP or Internet Database Sharing Available	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
FTP or Internet Database Immediate Updating	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
FTP or Internet Database Controlled by Sponsor	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Sponsor ONLY Internet or FTP Database	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Major Scouting Single Sponsor Features:					
Upload Advancement Reports to Council	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Upload Charters to Council	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Rank Progress Compiles Properly	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Trail to Eagle BSA Compliance Checks	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Rank Progress Analysis Report	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
BSA Complete Scouting Program	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
BSA Campout Log	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
BSA Service Hours Log	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
BSA Leadership Log	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Tracks Qualified Leadership by Rank	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
BSA Complete Cub Scouting Program	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Cub Achievement & Elective Requirements	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Merit Badge Requirement Tracking	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Activity Badge Requirement Tracking	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Merit Badge Group Requirement Tracking	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Activity Badge Group Requirement Tracking	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Cub Scout Program	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Varsity Program	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Venturing Program	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Includes Other Scout Awards	Yes	Yes	Add manually	Add manually	Add manually
Fund Raisers - FOS & Other Programs	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Fees Tracking - Camp, Dues, etc	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
BSA Leader Tour Permit Information	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
BSA Leader Required Certifications	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
MB Counselors by Related Sponsors	Yes	No	No	No	No
MB Counselors MB Reqmts Pass off Rosters	Yes	Unk	No	No	No
User Customized Requirements Pass off	Yes	No	No	No	No
Update ALL BSA data between All leaders	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Prints Ranks/Merit Badge Cards	Yes	Yes	No	No	No

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Major LDS Sponsors Features:					
<i>BSA Copyright Compliant/Violates</i>	Compliant	Compliant	Violates (3)	Violates (3)	Violates (3)
<i>Users BSA Copyright Compliant/Violates</i>	Compliant	Compliant	Violates (3)	Violates (3)	Violates (3)
<i>Sponsor Leaders BSA Copyright Compliant/Violates</i>	Compliant	Compliant	Violates (3)	Violates (3)	Violates (3)
<i>Complies with LDS Membership Privacy Policy</i>	Yes	No	No	No	No
Upload Data to Stake Leaders	Yes	No	No	No	No
Update ALL LDS data between ALL leaders	Yes	No	NA	NA	NA
Complete LDS Youth Program	Yes	No	No	No	No
LDS Varsity Program	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
LDS Venturing Program	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Trail to Eagle All Units Compliance Checks	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Tracks Other Scout/LDS Awards	Yes	Yes	Unk	Add Manually	Unk
Fund Raisers - LDS & BSA Drives/Lists	Yes	BSA	BSA	No	No
MB Counselors by Stake or Meetinghouse	Yes	No	No	No	No
<i>(Note - DTG changed in 2010 to a faith based program with little correlation to BSA Rank or MB requirements.)</i>					
Duty to God Progress Analysis Report	Yes	No	No	Yes	No
Duty to God Main Requirement Tracking	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
Duty to God Detail Requirement Tracking	Yes	Yes	No	NA	No
BSA & DTG Combined Reqmt. Pass off	Yes	No	No	No	No
BSA, DTG & YW Combined Reqmt. Pass off	Yes	No	No	No	No
BSA & DTG Combined Bishopric Report	Yes	No	No	No	No
User Customized LDS Requirement Pass off	Yes	No	No	NA	No
DTG Main Requirement Check Off Sheets	Yes	No	No	NA	No
DTG Requirements Up to Date	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No
DTG Detail Requirement Check Off Sheets	Yes	No	No	No	No
Service Project & Talk Logs	Yes	No	No	No	No
Ward Split Youth Transfer Files	Yes	No	No	No	No
LDS Youth Leadership Tracking	Yes	No	No	No	No
Young Women Program	Yes	No	No	No	No
Young Women Camp Program	Yes	No	No	No	No
Young Women Check Off Sheets	Yes	No	No	No	No
Faith in God-Boys Program	Yes	No	No	No	No
Faith in God-Girls Program	Yes	No	No	No	No
Faith in God Check Off Sheets	Yes	No	No	No	No
CERT Emergency Prep. Program	Yes	No	No	No	No
CERT Talents & Equipment Tracking	Yes	No	No	No	No
Home/Visiting Teaching Program	Yes	No	No	No	No
Home Teaching Companion Tracking	Yes	No	No	No	No
Drives - Pennies, Newsletter, Food, etc.	Yes	No	Unk	No	Unk

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Major LDS Sponsors Features - Continued:					
Stake-wide Youth Reports	Yes	No	No	No	No
Stake-wide & Ward Youth Statistics Reports	Yes	No	No	No	No
Stake-wide & Ward Search Reports	Yes	No	No	No	No
Stake-wide Letters, etc.	Yes	No	No	No	No
Stake CERT-Emergency Preparedness	Yes	No	No	No	No
Annual Cost per Unit - Troop, Team, Crew, Pack:					
Single Sponsor Only - 1 year License all 4 Units	\$15	\$22	\$99	\$20	\$60
Multi-Sponsor - 1 Year License -(like an LDS Stake)	\$6	Unk	\$99	\$20	\$60
NA - Not Applicable			No Pack Module	No Pack Module	No Pack Module

(1) - Etrail to Eagle, BSAWebHost & TroopTrack were selected for display representing the many 'non-BSA' certified internet only Troop management programs showing up on the internet. Only ScoutSoft and Troopmaster carry the BSA ScoutNET Certified label, have been tested by the BSA for compliance with the official BSA advancement rules. Only ScoutSoft and Troopmaster users save hundreds of hours a year by being able to upload their Boy Scout, Cub Scout, Varsity Scout & Venture awards directly to their BSA council's internet advancement site. All of the non-BSA certified internet applications reviewed performed very little rank advancement analyses of critical rank requirements and only provided rank requirement check off boxes of requirements from the BSA's copyrighted manuals and printed forms. The leader and board of review leaders still have to manually verify all of the critical rank advancement criteria by hand. Whereas, ScoutSoft not only provides the history of completed requirements but more importantly provides the scout, the leader and the board of review members what the scout needs to complete for every critical requirement.

Warning - Scouters need to review the many non-certified scouting only internet based only applications found on the internet for proper advancement procedures and for violations of BSA copyrights. (See BSA Copyright below.)

(2) - Troopmaster requires purchase of a separate Cub Scouting & Financial modules. (Scouting and LDS sections for Troopmaster features are not verified for all versions and assumed No if not described.)

(3) - BSA Copyright Policy - The BSA National office has stated that no permission has been given to ANY third parties to list, show, display, distribute or sell its copyrighted awards and their requirements. Software vendors (and their users) that do so are violating the BSA copyrights per the BSA Publications Department. ScoutSoft and Troopmaster upon review were found complaint with the BSA copyrights. However, NONE of the many non-BSA certified internet based scouting programs reviewed were found to be compliant with the BSA's copyrights causing their users (and their sponsoring organizations) to be in violation of US copyright laws. (LDS Church scouters - The LDS Church prohibits its leaders and members from using copyrighted materials without written permission from the copyright holder.)

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