

Scouting Awards in the Scout Network

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Membership Badge

The Membership Award is only completed by young people joining from outside the Movement. Explorer Scouts complete the [Moving-On](#) Award from the Explorer Scout Section.

To gain the Membership Award, the following requirements need to be completed.

- Describe the various options available locally to become a member of the Scout Network.
- Demonstrate an understanding of the Scout Promise and Law
- Demonstrate an understanding of local, national and international Scouting.
- Make the Scout Promise and accept the Scout Law.

Young people gain the Membership Award only once in the Scout Network, no matter how many local Networks they join. The location for making the Promise should be decided by the young person with help from other Members. The Promise should be made in front of other members of the Scout Network, but the location should be appropriate and memorable. Young people should make the Promise between six and twelve weeks of joining. If they have been an Explorer Scout, they will probably be ready much sooner.





Moving on Award for Explorer Scouts

The requirements for the Moving-On Award are:

- Discuss with your Explorer Scout Leader the options available locally to be a member of the Scout Network.
- Talk to a member of a local Scout Network about joining the Section.
- Describe the options available locally for becoming a member of the Scout Network.
- Make the Scout Promise and accept the Scout Law.





The Chief Scout's Platinum Award

To gain this Award the following requirements must be completed:

- Be a member of the Scout Network or both for at least six months.
- Complete six nights away as an Explorer Scout or member of the Scout Network of which four must be camping.
- Complete two activities from the [International, Environment and Values list](#). The two activities should come from different areas.
- Hold the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh's Award, or complete the four Platinum Scout Challenges, which are:
 - take up a Skill for three months, and show progress and lasting interest. The skill can be an existing interest or something entirely new.
 - take up a Physical Activity for three months, completing an agreed programme of taking part and achievement.
 - provide Service to an individual or the community for three months. Briefing and training should be given in order to gain the necessary skills. This can include helping with another Section as a Young Leader.
 - complete a two day and one night expedition in rural country by foot, cycle, horse, canoe, boat or dinghy. The expedition should involve careful preparation, training, responsibility and review.

Members must undertake an extra three months in any of the Skills, Physical Recreation or Service Challenges.





The Chief Scout's Diamond Award

To gain this Award the following requirements must be completed:

- Be a member of Explorer Scouts or the Scout Network or both for at least 12 months. This can include any time counted for the Chief Scout's Platinum Award.
- Complete 12 nights away as an Explorer Scout or member of the Scout Network, of which eight must be camping. This may include the nights counted for the Chief Scout's Platinum Award.
- Complete two activities from the [list of International, Environment and Values activities](#). These should be different activities from the Chief Scout's Platinum Award and not from the same area.
- Hold the Silver Duke of Edinburgh's Award, or complete the four Diamond Challenges, which are:
 - take up a Skill for three or six months, and show progress and lasting interest. The skill can be an existing interest or something entirely new.
 - take up a Physical Activity for three or six months, completing an agreed programme of taking part and achievement.
 - provide Service to an individual or the community for six months. Briefing and training should be given in order to gain the necessary skills. This may include helping with another Section as a Young Leader.
 - complete a three day and two night expedition in rural or open country by foot, cycle, horse, canoe, boat or dinghy. The expedition should involve careful preparation, training, responsibility and review.

All Members should complete six months in either the Physical Activity or the Skill.

Members who have not completed the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh's Award or the Chief Scout's Platinum Award must undertake an extra six months in either the Service Challenge or the longer of the Skills or Physical Recreation Challenge.





The Queen's Scout Award

To gain this Award the following requirements must be completed:

- Be a member of Explorer Scouts or the Scout Network or both for at least 18 months. This can include any time counted for the Chief Scout's Platinum or Diamond Awards.
- Complete 18 nights away as an Explorer Scout or member of the Scout Network, of which 12 must be camping. This may include any nights counted for the Chief Scout's Platinum or Diamond Awards.
- Complete two activities from the list [of International, Environment and Values activities](#). These should be different activities from the Chief Scout's Platinum and Diamond Awards and not from the same area.
- Hold the Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award, or complete the five Queen's Scout Award Challenges, which are:
 - take up a Skill for 6 or 12 months, and show progress and lasting interest. The skill can be an existing interest or something entirely new
 - take up a Physical Activity for 6 or 12 months, completing an agreed programme of taking part and achievement
 - provide Service to an individual or the community for 12 months. Briefing and training should be given in order to gain the necessary skills. This may include helping with another Section as a Young Leader
 - complete a four day and three night expedition in open or adventurous country by foot, cycle, horse, canoe, boat or dinghy. The expedition should involve careful preparation, training, responsibility and review
 - complete a five day and four night residential project in an unfamiliar environment with people who are not known. This project should be environmental work, activity based, service to others or personal training
 - following completion of the first four elements of the Award make a presentation, to a suitable audience, of your achievements so far in working towards the Queen's Scout Award.



All Members should complete twelve months in either the Physical Activity or the Skill Members of the Scout Network who are not holders of the Duke of Edinburgh's Silver Award or the Chief Scout's Diamond Award must complete an extra six months in either the Service or the longer of the Skills or Physical Recreation Challenge.

International, Environment and Values Activities list

Area 1: International	Area 2: Environment	Area 3: Values
Complete your Explorer Belt.	Complete your Group Environment Badge.	Complete your Group Faith Badge.
Complete your International Friendship Award.	Assist some Cub Scouts or Scouts in gaining their Global Conservation Activity Badge.	Take a regular part in activities at your place of worship.
Take an active part in a project with an overseas aid organisation, such as UNESCO.	Take an active part in an environmental project with another organisation.	Take an active part in a project examining your own faith, for example a retreat.
Take an active part in a camp in another country, for instance, a Jamboree or Moot.	Take an active part in an environmental project in your local community.	Take an active part in a project examining a faith other than your own.
Take an active part in an International Camp in the United Kingdom.	Choose a current environmental issue to research, and then present your findings to your Unit.	Plan and carry out an act of worship for your Unit or another group in Scouting.
Take part in a project at a campsite abroad, for example, as part of a Euro-Steps project or Camp America.	Complete an environmental project and make a formal report of your findings.	Choose a current issue to research, such as health or crime, and then present your findings to your Unit.
Complete the Passport for Europe with your Unit.	Complete an environmental impact assessment of an activity the Unit is undertaking and act on your findings.	Assist some Cub Scouts or Scouts in gaining their Faith Activity Badge.
Organise a series of programmes for your Unit on an international theme.	Organise a series of programmes for your Unit on an environmental theme.	Organise a series of programmes for your Unit on a values theme.
Organise a series of programmes for another Section on an international theme.	Organise a series of programmes for another Section on an environmental theme.	Organise a series of programmes for another Section on a values theme.
Complete any activity of a similar nature agreed beforehand with your leadership team.	Complete any activity of a similar nature agreed beforehand with your leadership team.	Complete any activity of a similar nature agreed beforehand with your leadership team.

Notes: Although there is only one list of activities for the three Awards, the level of skill and commitment required should be linked to the age and experience of the Scout. An activity can also count for this requirement if it is being completed for another requirement of the Award. For example, completing an environmental project during the Queen's Scout Award expedition would also count for this requirement.

