

Queen's Scout Award

To help clarify the updated requirements of the QSA launched in 2014, we have created the following table which shows the old and new requirements side by side. New requirements that are in addition to the old award are marked in red for clarity. Elements that have been removed/altered from the old requirements are purple.

Pre 2014	Post 2014
	<p>Registration</p> <p>Register your intention to complete the Award here.</p> <p>Activities (including the membership requirement) can count towards the award from the date of registration and back dated up to a maximum of 3 months (but not before your 16th birthday).</p>
<p>Membership</p> <p>Be aged between 16 and 25 years old and have been a member of Explorer Scouts or the Scout Network (or both) for at least 18 months. This can include time counted towards the Chief Scout's Platinum or Diamond Awards.</p>	<p>Membership</p> <p>Award participants must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be aged between 16 and 25 years old • Be a member of Explorer Scouts or Scout Network (or both) for at least 18 months • Be a member of Explorer Scouts or Scout Network at the time you complete the award
<p>Nights Away</p> <p>Complete 18 nights away as an Explorer Scout or member of the Scout Network, of which 12 must be camping (this may include nights counted towards the Chief Scout's Platinum or Diamond Awards). See the 'Additional Information' section for more information.</p>	<p>Nights Away</p> <p>Complete 18 nights away within Scouting, of which 12 must be camping.</p> <p>(Nights away achieved through activities as part of the QSA or Chief Scout's Awards including the practice and final expedition, residential experience or anything else achieved in completion of an IEV requirement are excluded.</p> <p>It can now include any nights away undertaken as a Young Leader/Adult volunteer with another section.)</p>
<p>International, Environmental, Values List</p> <p>Complete two activities from the International, Environmental and Values list. These should be different activities from the Chief Scout's Platinum and Diamond Awards, and from two different areas. The old list can be found at the bottom of this page.</p>	<p>International, Environmental, Values List</p> <p>Complete six activities, two from each topic area.</p> <p>If you have the Chief Scout's Platinum Award you only need to complete four activities, and if you have the Chief Scout's Diamond Award you only need to complete two.</p> <p>These should be different from the ones already completed for the other awards.</p>
<p>Challenges</p> <p>Hold a Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award OR Complete the 5 Queen's Scout Award Challenges</p>	<p>Challenges</p> <p>Complete the five Queen's Scout Award challenges or hold the Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award (DofE).</p>
<p>• Skill</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>• Skill</p> <p>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.</p>
<p>• Physical activity</p> <p>Take up a physical activity for 6 or 12* months, completing an agreed programme by taking part and achieving your objectives.</p>	<p>• Physical Activity</p> <p>Take up a physical activity for 6 or 12* months, completing an agreed programme by taking part and achieving your objectives.</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Service 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 of the movement as an Explorer Scout Young Leader or adult volunteer. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Service 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 of the movement as an Explorer Scout Young Leader or adult volunteer.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expedition Undertake a 4-day and 3-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. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expedition Training framework: Show that you are competent in the following areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - First aid and emergency procedures - Risk assessment/health and safety - Navigation and route planning - Camp craft, equipment and hygiene - Food and cooking - Country, highway and water sports codes - Observation, recording and presentation - Team building - Proficiency in mode of travel Practice Undertake a minimum of 3 days and 2 nights (consecutive) expedition in wild country by foot, cycle, horse, canoe, boat or dinghy. Final Undertake a 4-day and 3-night (consecutive) qualifying expedition with an aim in wild country by the method used in your practice.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residential Undertake a 5-day and 4-night residential project in an unfamiliar environment with people who are not known to you. This project could be environmental work, activity-based, service to others or personal training. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Residential Undertake a 5 day and 4 night residential project in an unfamiliar environment where the majority of people are not known to you. This project could be environmental work, activity based, service to others or personal training. In exceptional circumstances, the residential can be done on 2 occasions, as long as the same activity is completed.
<p>If for any reason someone has to drop out then it is not possible for a non-Member to take their place in the expedition.</p> <p>All members should complete 12 months in either the skill or the physical activity challenges. Explorer Scouts and members of the Scout Network who are not holders of a Silver Duke of Edinburgh's Award or the Chief Scout's Diamond Award must complete an extra 6 months in either the service or the longer of the skills or physical recreation challenges.</p>	<p>*All members should complete 12 months in either the skill or the physical activity challenges.</p> <p>Award participants who are not holders of a Chief Scout's Diamond Award or Silver DofE must complete an extra 6 months in either the service or the longer of the skills or physical recreation challenges.</p>
<p>Presentation</p> <p>Make a presentation, to a suitable audience, of your achievements in working towards the Queen's Scout Award.</p>	<p>Presentation</p> <p>Make a presentation covering all elements of your award to a suitable audience, with the aim of inspiring and motivating others to achieve the award. The presentation should be the final activity you complete.</p>