

Updates to the Adult Training Scheme

2013

Module 7 – Module 7 was updated in February 2013 and is now called Scouting for All (previously called Valuing Diversity). It now includes a new video in the training package, Inclusion Matters, which can be used to support the delivery of the training or completion of the work book.

Ongoing Safety Training – An ongoing training requirement for safety was introduced in 2013. This training needs to be completed at least every five years and is monitored at the point of review. New e-learning was introduced as a learning method for this training. From September 2013, all of those undergoing appointment reviews are now required to have completed some form of Scouting specific safety training within the last 5 years (Modules 1, 17, 23 or the Ongoing Safety Training).

Module 17 (Running Safe Activities) and Module 23 (Safety for Managers and Supporters) – Both modules were reviewed in light of the revisions to the safety policy and guidance and the updated versions were launched in May 2013. Both modules now have a workbook available as a method for completing the required learning.

Executive Committee trainer training – Whilst not currently part of the formal Adult Training Scheme, Executive Committee trainer training has been run by HQ since 2013. Several courses have taken place to prepare trainers across England, Wales and Scotland to deliver the training suite to their local Executive Committee members. Further trainer training courses and refresher sessions will take place in 2015 and 2016.

Module 11 and 20 (Administration) – These modules were reviewed and updated in June 2013. Due to the similarity of the content, the modules were merged together and Module 11 was made an all roles module. Module 20, which was Administration for Managers, was removed from the scheme.

Module 1 (Essential Info) and Module 5 (Fundamentals of Scouting) – The trainer notes for both modules were updated in July 2013 following the release of the revised Fundamentals of Scouting.

2014

Module 1 (Essential Info) – The trainer notes for Module 1 were updated in early 2014 to reflect the launch of the additional alternative promise. New e-learning for this module was launched in late 2014. It is available on the Member Resources area of www.scouts.org.uk and is compatible with tablets and mobile devices.

Module 5 (Fundamental Values of Scouting) e-learning – New e-learning for this module was launched in May 2014. It is available on the Member Resources area of www.scouts.org.uk and is compatible with tablets and mobile devices.

British Red Cross partnership – Due to the change in strategic direction of the British Red Cross, the partnership that the Scout Association had with them came to an end on 31 March 2015. A new partnership is currently being sought. Any specific queries on this should be sent to first.aid@scouts.org.uk.

2015

Section Leader Training – In early 2013, research was carried out with adults who had been in their role for three to five years and had not completed their Wood Badge about the reasons for non-completion. From this research, we identified that there was a need to update the validation criteria for the Section Leader modules to make them more practical and straightforward, as well as creating a bespoke Adults' Personal File for Section Leaders, clearly outlining what they need to do and empowering them to take ownership of their own learning. An updated version of the Training Advisers Guide and a newly created Section Leader's Training Guide was launched in January 2015.

Programme modules review – The refreshed programme was launched in January 2015 and to accompany that Modules 3, 4 and 12 were updated to reflect the changes. Module 12 was split in two and now consists of 12 (A) Delivering a Quality Programme and 12 (B) Programme Planning. Module 22, which was previously Section Support, was incorporated in to Module 12 (A) and has been removed from the scheme. Revised trainers notes, along with new e-learning packages for modules 3, 4 and 12 (A), are available on the Member Resources area of www.scouts.org.uk. More information on these changes can be found [here](#).

Gateway Qualifications - The Open College Network (OCN) has now changed to Gateway Qualifications and the new scheme will be launched shortly. They will now offer one qualification to learners – Level 2 Certificate in Providing Voluntary Youth Services in The Scout Association (QCF). Those learners working towards the award currently have until the 30th June 2015 to complete the award that they are registered for and submit the required work. It also means that no new learners will be able to register for the awards in their current format.

Future updates

Module 14 (Young People Today) and Module 15 (Challenging Behaviour) – Both of these modules are currently being reviewed and revised trainers notes and supporting workbooks will be released shortly.

Management training review – As part of the ongoing work to improve leadership and management in Scouting, we are undertaking a full-scale review of the current training provision provided for Managers in Scouting as part of the Adult Training Scheme. More information and ongoing updates about the progress of this work can be found in Training eNews. The revised management training scheme is due to come in to effect in spring 2016.