

Scouting and The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award



One world, one Award



The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award is a global youth achievement award, operating in more than 140 countries and territories around the globe. The names of individual Award Operators sometimes differ from nation to nation, but the Award and its unique reputation with employers, policy makers and leaders in society remain unchanged and consistent.

The Award is available to all young people aged 14 to 24. It is voluntary, non-competitive, enjoyable and balanced, and requires sustained effort over time. The Award encourages young people to design their own programme of activities, set their own goals and challenge themselves to achieve their aims.

Why do The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award?

In addition to all the value and recognition you already get for your Scouting activities, you can have your achievements recognised through The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award. Doing it will demonstrate to employers and others in your community that you've met an international standard in youth development. You probably won't need to do anything extra – most of the requirements will be met by your Scouting activities.

The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award also complements the Scouts of the World Award, which challenges young people to reflect on global issues and act upon them at local level. The three global action fields of Scouts of the World Award are Development, Peace and Environment, and are in tune with The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award and its impact measures. For more information on Scouts of the World Award, visit www.scout.org/scoutsoftheworld.



So, you want to do your Duke of Edinburgh's International Award? What is involved?

There are three levels to the Award:



BRONZE

For those over 14 years.
6 months minimum participation.



SILVER

For those over 15 years.
12 months minimum participation.



GOLD

For those over 16 years.
18 months minimum participation.

Each level of the Award has four sections:

And at Gold level only:


Service	Physical Recreation	Skills	Adventurous Journey	Residential Project
Participants volunteer in their communities, make a positive contribution to society and demonstrate social responsibility.	Encourages young people to improve their fitness and performance, and enjoy healthy lifestyles for good mental and physical well-being.	Enables participants to develop their talents, broaden their abilities, increase their self-confidence and improve their employability.	Young people discover a spirit of adventure and gain a deeper understanding of the environment and the great outdoors.	Participants broaden their experience by staying in an unfamiliar environment with other young people, taking part in a worthwhile project and building new relationships.

What next?

For further information about doing
The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award, please contact:

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The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award
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“ In the UK, Scouting is the largest co-educational youth organisation. Our non-formal youth work curriculum for 14 to 25 year olds has had the Award at its heart for many years. The combination of challenge, personal development, service and adventure fits perfectly with the Scouting ethos and complements the wider work we do with young people. We find that the structure and external recognition it offers appeals to our young people and provides them with the motivation they need to progress in their personal development journey. The Award also provides a clear curriculum and structure for our adult leaders when they are planning programmes and this helps to ensure a high quality experience for our young people. We are pleased to partner with the Award and I have no doubt that partnership will continue for many years.”

Steve Peck, Director of Programme and Development, The Scout Association (UK)

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