

INTERNATIONAL SPIRIT AWARD

The International Spirit Award is a temporary emblem that is awarded to registered Scouts and Scouters who have completed the necessary requirements, have gained a greater knowledge of international Scouting, and have developed a greater appreciation and awareness of different cultures and countries. This award serves as a replacement for, and therefore eliminates, the International Activity emblem and the Youth Exchange emblem. The International Spirit Award emblem is \$4.00 each and is purchased from the International Department.

Please fill out the application with the date that each requirement was completed. All requirements must be met within 5 years from the start to completion of the award. Please mail the completed and signed application with a \$4.00 check made out to "BSA" to the International Department, S340, PO Box 152079, Irving, TX 75015.

Requirements

Cub Scout

Completion Date

1. Earn the Cub Scout World Conservation Award.
2. Learn 10 words that are in a different language than your own.
3. Play two games that originated in another country or culture.
4. Participate in Jamboree-on-the-Air or Jamboree-on-the-Internet.
5. Organize a World Friendship Fund collection at a unit meeting or district roundtable.
6. Complete two of the 10 Experience Requirements.

Boy Scout/Varsity/Venturer

1. Earn the Boy Scout or Venturing World Conservation Award.
2. Earn the Citizenship in the World Merit Badge.
(Alternative for Venturers: Complete the "Understanding Other Cultures" requirement of the TRUST Award.)
3. Participate in Jamboree-on-the-Air or Jamboree-on-the-Internet.
4. Organize a World Friendship Fund collection at a unit meeting or district roundtable.
5. Complete three of the 10 Experience Requirements.

Scouter

1. Learn about the World Organization of the Scout Movement (www.scout.org). Explain to your unit or at a district roundtable what this organization is and at least three ways that the WOSM website can be used to promote participation in international Scouting.
2. Read the most current International Department newsletter (www.scouting.org/international/newsletter) and promote at least two items from the newsletter within your unit or at a district roundtable.
3. Help organize or participate in two Jamboree-on-the-Air or Jamboree-on-the-Internet events.
4. Organize a World Friendship Fund collection at a unit meeting or district roundtable.
5. Complete four of the 10 Experience Requirements.



Experience Requirements

Completion Date

1. Host an international Scout or unit and plan activities to help you learn about Scouting in their country. *Please note that hosting in private homes is not considered an official Scouting activity and, therefore, homeowners will not be covered under BSA insurance.
2. Learn about another country and prepare a dinner traditionally served there. Explain what you learned to friends or family over the meal.
3. Participate in a World Scout Jamboree, international camporee, or another international Scouting event. Share the experience with your unit or at a district roundtable.
4. Take a trip to another country as an individual or with your family or Scouting unit. Make sure to visit a Scouting event or unit in that country. When you return home, share your experience with another unit.
5. Organize and participate in a Messengers of Peace project. Share the experience with your unit or at a district roundtable, making sure to explain which dimensions of the program your project promoted.
6. Earn the interpreter strip.
7. Research Scouting in another country. Make a presentation at a unit meeting or district roundtable.
8. Contact your local council's international representative and assist them with at least two items they need help with promoting.
9. Research the process of obtaining a U.S. passport. Create a fact sheet for your unit or district to assist them with requirements for traveling internationally.
10. Research a region of the World Organization of the Scout Movement. Make a presentation at a unit meeting or district roundtable.

Certification

I certify that I have completed the necessary requirements.

Applicant Signature

Date

I certify that I have discussed the completed requirements with the applicant and that the requirements were met to my satisfaction.

Youth: Unit Leader Signature

Adult Leader: International Representative Signature

Date

Applicant Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Email Address: _____

Council Name and Number: _____