



Chief Scout's Award

Workbook

"...leave this world a little better than you found it..."

-Baden Powell's farewell message

PERSONAL DETAILS

Scout: _____

Address: _____

City/Province: _____

Telephone No.: _____

Group: _____

Local council: _____

Troop leader: _____

Address: _____

City/Province: _____

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Group committee representative: _____

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City/Province: _____

Telephone No.: _____

WELCOME

Congratulations! Having progressed through the Voyageur and Pathfinder levels you are now ready to begin work on the highest honour available for you as a scout – the Chief Scout's Award.

Meeting all of the requirements for this award will not be easy. They're not meant to be. The object is to progress beyond what you have done so far and to excel in all of the areas you have been working on prior to this. It should be challenging for you. As you will see on the next page there are some requirements that have been stipulated already. However, to help ensure that this award is a challenge you will have the opportunity to develop a significant portion yourself.

This workbook has been written to explain the award, help you understand the details as to what you need to do, and to provide a step by step, easy to follow guide. You will have many opportunities to ask questions, as you will be reporting your progress often. Take advantage of this.

Good luck and have fun but for now, **GET BUSY!** You have a lot of great experiences ahead of you on your journey to become a Pathfinder Scout, holder of the Chief Scout's Award!

THE AWARD

The Chief Scout's Award was created in 1973 by Governor-General Roland Michener, who was then Chief Scout of Canada. At that time he stated that Scouts who receive the award would have exemplified Scouting's principles through leadership, voluntary service to the community, and outdoor skills. These are the areas that provide the award's focus. Earning the Chief Scout's Award will be the pinnacle of your time in Scouts. Recipients of the award are recognized across the country as leaders in their troop and their community. Canadian Chief Scout's Award recipients have gone on to travel in space and become political leaders. Some have been recognized worldwide as authors and scientists.

You will earn the Chief Scout's Award by completing the requirements outlined below. Your peers and your leaders will evaluate your achievements and will decide if your efforts are of the quality required for an award of this significance.

Requirements

- 1) Successfully complete the Pathfinder Scout requirements.
- 2) Be currently qualified in First Aid Standard level or demonstrate the equivalent attitudes, skills and knowledge as judged by a "qualified instructor of First Aid".
- 3) Earn at least one Challenge Badge in each of the seven (7) Challenge Badge Categories: Athletics, Outdoors, Science & Technology, Home & Family, Personal Development, Culture & Society, Environment.
- 4) Hold the World Conservation Badge.
- 5) Investigate Scouts Canada's involvement in World Scouting. Present your findings in an interesting way to your patrol, troop, or other group. Your presentation should include information on the following:
 - a) Scouts Canada's involvement with:
 - The Canadian Scout Brotherhood Fund;
 - World jamborees; and
 - The World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM).
 - b) The purpose and location of the World Scouting Bureau; and
 - c) The current World Scouting membership, and how Canada's membership compares to that of other countries.
- 6) Develop yourself further in each activity area by:
 - a) Designing a challenging program with a Scouter which involves the requirement to excel in a component of each activity area (Citizenship, Leadership, Personal Development, and Outdoor Skills). Citizenship must include providing at least 30 hours of leadership to others.

These hours are in addition to the hours required for the Citizenship Activity Area. If at all possible provide this service outside of Scouting.

- b) Offering your plans and goals for discussion, and approval to your Court of Honour and Troop Scouter prior to beginning.
- c) Reporting to, and being evaluated by, the Court of Honour on your ongoing progress.

The Chief Scout's Award will be yours when you have completed these six (6) requirements as judged by your fellow Scouts, the Troop Scouter and Patrol Counsellors. Generally, your Troop Scouter will present you the emblem. A certificate signed by the Chief Scout of Canada will be presented to you at a public ceremony. You continue to wear the Chief Scout's Award as a Venturer. If you have not completed all of the requirements for the Chief Scout's Award before you join a Venturer Company, you will have three months in which to complete them.

Requirement 1

Successfully complete the Pathfinder Scout requirements.

By this time you should have already earned the Pathfinder Scout award. In some cases you may begin work on the Chief Scout's Award before you have reached the Pathfinder Scout level. If this is the case for you then you should immediately finish off whatever requirements are left.

Workbooks, similar to this one, for each of the Pathfinder level Activity Awards are available for your use and will help focus your efforts.

I completed this requirement on: _____

Requirement 2

Be currently qualified in First Aid Standard level or demonstrate the equivalent attitudes, skills and knowledge as judged by a “qualified instructor of First Aid”.

Completing the Standard Level will allow you to meet this requirement, Pathfinder Personal Development #9, as well as earn you the First Aid Challenge Badge. Earning a challenge badge contributes towards the next requirement.

Discuss with your leader whether you should take a first aid course on your own or whether your entire group will take one together. Note that the requirement states that you must be “currently qualified”. This means that if you have taken a Standard Level course in the past, but your certification has expired, you do not meet this requirement and must take, as a minimum, a refresher course.

The requirement does give you the option of having a “qualified instructor” pass you off as long as you can demonstrate the stated equivalencies. In reality you most likely won’t possess these unless you’ve taken a course anyway so it’s recommend that you do so.

You may take either the St. John’s Ambulance Standard Level course or the equivalent Red Cross level.

I completed this requirement on: _____

Requirement 3

Earn at least one Challenge Badge in each of the seven (7) Challenge Badge Categories: Athletics, Outdoors, Science & Technology, Home & Family, Personal Development, Culture & Society, Environment.

You have a lot of options available to you and you are strongly encouraged to earn more than the minimum required. Challenge Badges allow you to further develop a hobby that you might already have, allow you to learn a new skill or craft, and even give you the chance to explore possible careers. And if your favourite subject isn't covered by an existing badge, the Troop and Individual Specialty badges allow you to come up with your own requirements based on your interests.

You should note that while this requirement specifies just one Challenge Badge per category you will actually need to earn more than seven badges. For example, you will need a minimum of two badges from the Environment category as part of the World Conservation Badge requirements (see next page). As mentioned previously though you have the opportunity to earn the First Aid Challenge Badge from the Personal Development category at the same time as you meet Requirement 2.

Workbooks, similar to this one, for each of the Challenge Badges are available for your use and will help focus your efforts.

<u>Category</u>	<u>Challenge Badge Earned</u>
Athletics	_____
Outdoors	_____
Home & Family	_____
Personal Development	_____
Science & Technology	_____
Culture & Society	_____
Environment	_____

I completed this requirement on: _____

Requirement 4

Hold the World Conservation Badge.

The World Conservation Badge combines the symbol of Scouting with that of the World Wildlife Fund, the Panda. The badge was specifically designed by Sir Peter Scott, a world famous conservationist and chairman of the World Wildlife Fund. The World Wildlife Fund, originally dedicated to saving endangered species such as the Panda, has broadened its focus. Now the Fund's concern is to save the environment, namely the spaces within which wildlife and humans must live if they are to survive.

The World Conservation Badge is an international badge, which means Scouts in other countries are also working to earn it, even though they may be working on slightly different requirements. All Scouts around the world who wear this badge publicly demonstrate Scouting's concern for the environment and awareness of the global need for conservation.

-Taken from the Canadian Scout Handbook, 2004 edition

A workbook, similar to this one, for the World Conservation Award is available for your use and will help focus your efforts.

I completed this requirement on: _____

Requirement 5

Investigate Scouts Canada's involvement in World Scouting. Present your findings in an interesting way to your patrol, troop, or other group. Your presentation should include information on the following:

- a) Scouts Canada's involvement with:
 - The Canadian Scout Brotherhood Fund;
 - World jamborees; and
 - The World Organization of the Scout Movement (WOSM).
- b) The purpose and location of the World Scouting Bureau; and
- c) The current World Scouting membership, and how Canada's membership compares to that of other countries.

This requirement is designed to help you become aware of the "big picture" of Scouting and how vast the Scouting movement truly is.

The following web sites will help you as you do your research:

<http://www.scouts.ca/inside.asp?cmPageID=95>

<http://www.scout.org/satw/countries.shtml>

<http://www.scouting.org/factsheets/02-505.html>

What is the Canadian Scout Brotherhood Fund?

Who does this fund assist? _____

Describe three projects that the fund has assisted with in the last two years.

How does this fund receive money? _____

What is a jamboree and where did the name originate? _____

When and where was the first World Jamboree held? _____

How many Canadians participated in it? _____

How many World Jamborees have been held in Canada and in what location?

Where will the next World Jamboree be held? _____

What is the World Organization of the Scout Movement? _____

What is its purpose? _____

When did Canada join the WOSM? _____

What is the World Scouting Bureau and where is it located? _____

What is the purpose of the World Scouting Bureau? _____

What is the current membership of World Scouting? _____

What is Canada's current membership? _____

What are the top five countries in terms of Scouting membership?

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

4) _____

5) _____

I completed this requirement on: _____

Requirement 6

Develop yourself further in each activity area by:

- a) **Designing a challenging program with a Scouter which involves the requirement to excel in a component of each activity area (Citizenship, Leadership, Personal Development, and Outdoor Skills). Citizenship must include providing at least 30 hours of leadership to others.**

These hours are in addition to the hours required for the Citizenship Activity Area. If at all possible provide this service outside of Scouting.

- b) **Offering your plans and goals for discussion, and approval to your Court of Honour and Troop Scouter prior to beginning.**
- c) **Reporting to, and being evaluated by, the Court of Honour on your ongoing progress.**

Most likely it will be this requirement where you will spend the most time and effort on the path to the Chief Scout's Award. You will draw upon all of your experiences, both in scouting and without, to meet this requirement.

You are required to develop your own, personal program in which you will excel. You will research, plan and implement some program that demonstrates your abilities in each of the Citizenship, Leadership, Personal Development and Outdoor Skills activity areas. What you do is up to you but the purpose is to go beyond anything that you may have previously done up to this point. For example, if you had previously planned and directed a 10 day hiking trip, then organizing a weekend camp as your Outdoor Skills program would not be going beyond that which you had previously done. The object is for you to stretch yourself and push your abilities. Remember though that you are not competing against somebody else. You are competing against your own abilities so the program you develop will be unique to you.

Within the Citizenship part of your program you need to investigate and execute some project in which you provide 30 hours of leadership to others. You should not be doing this project on your own. A significant aspect of providing leadership is working with others, making decisions and delegating responsibilities and so you will be asking others to help you. It is important to remember that those who help you with the project are NOT meeting the requirement along with you. The following example will help explain who gets what.

Jeremy is aware of a horseback riding center that provides rides to disabled kids. The center has a large field adjoining the property into which they'd like to expand but it needs to be fenced. Jeremy decides that this would be the perfect project to work on for his Chief Scout's Award.

Jeremy meets with the center's director to discuss the issue. The director is very excited about the possible expansion but informs Jeremy that the center doesn't have a lot of extra money with which to do the project. Jeremy researches the type of fence that will be needed and prepares a cost estimate. While doing his fence research he finds a supplier willing to dig all of the postholes for free and to provide the posts themselves at actual cost, with no price markup. Because of this the center director reports that they have enough money to pay for the rest of the supplies. Jeremy and the director schedule a date on which the work will be done.

Jeremy contacts a number of other scouts in his troop and gets commitments from them, and some of their fathers, to help with the work. On the day of the project all of the people arrive and the field gets fenced and all of the posts get painted.

Requirement 6 (continued)

In the example Jeremy did all of the research, planning and leading of the project. He would get full credit towards meeting his Chief Scout's Award Citizenship project requirement. The other scouts who helped on the project did not do any of the behind the scenes work or planning. They would get credit towards completing a community project as required in Voyageur Citizenship #1 or Pathfinder Citizenship #7. They may also get credit towards other badge requirements but that would depend on exactly what the project was and what their role was.

It's important to note that the project in which 30 hours of leadership is given is part of the Citizenship activity area. It does not also count towards the Leadership component of the requirement. You will need to develop or find something else to meet that aspect of your challenging program. As indicated in parts b and c of the requirement you must have your program approved of before you begin and you must provide regular feedback on your progress.

A separate Chief Scout's Award Leadership Service Project Workbook is available to help guide you.

Use the space below to outline the challenging program you plan to do.

Citizenship Activity Area # of hours: _____

Description: _____

Leadership Activity Area

Description: _____

Personal Development Activity Area

Description: _____

Outdoor Skills Activity Area

Description: _____

I completed this requirement on: _____