



International Spirit Award

This award replaced the former [International Activity Award](#) and the [International Youth Exchange Award](#), which are no longer available.

The International Spirit Award is a temporary emblem awarded to registered Scouts and Scouters who have completed the necessary requirements, gained a greater knowledge of international Scouting, and 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 each and can be purchased from the International Department. Make checks payable to Boy Scouts of America. Please download, print, and fill out the [application](#) with the date that each requirement was completed. All requirements must be met within five years from the start of the award. Please mail the completed, signed application and a check to BSA, International Department, S221, 1325 West Walnut Hill Lane, P.O. Box 152079, Irving, TX 75015-2079.

Requirements

Cub Scout

1. Earn the *Cub Scout World Conservation Award*.
2. Earn the *Language and Culture Belt Loop*.
3. Participate in *Jamboree-on-the-Air* or *Jamboree-on-the-Internet*.
4. Complete two of the 10 Experience Requirements. (#5 is mandatory.)

Boy Scout / Varsity Scout

1. Earn the *Boy Scout World Conservation Award*.
2. Earn the *Citizenship in the World Merit Badge*.
3. Participate in *Jamboree-on-the-Air* or *Jamboree-on-the-Internet*.
4. Complete three of the 10 Experience Requirements. (#5 is mandatory.)

Venturer / Sea Scout

1. Earn the *Venturing World Conservation Award*.
2. Earn the *Citizenship in the World Merit Badge*
or
Complete the "*Understanding Other Cultures*" requirement of the TRUST Award.
3. Participate in *Jamboree-on-the-Air* or *Jamboree-on-the-Internet*.
4. Complete three of the 10 Experience Requirements. (#5 is mandatory.)

Scouter

1. Learn about the *World Organization of the Scout Movement* (www.scout.org). Explain what it is to your unit or at a district roundtable, and describe at least three ways the website can be used to help promote or increase participation in international Scouting.
2. Check out 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. Complete four of the 10 Experience Requirements. (#5 is mandatory.)

Experience Requirements (#5 is mandatory.)

1. Host an international Scout or unit and plan activities to help you learn about Scouting in their country.
2. Learn about another country and prepare a dinner traditionally served there. Explain what you learned to friends or family as you share the meal.
3. Participate in a World Scout Jamboree, international camporee, or another international Scout event. Share the experience with your unit or at a district roundtable.
4. Take a trip to another country as an individual, with your family, or Scout unit and include a visit with another Scout unit or event. When you return home, share the experience with another unit.
5. Organize a World Friendship Fund collection at a unit meeting or district roundtable.
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.

Research a region of the *World Organization of the Scout Movement*. Make a presentation at a unit meeting or district roundtable.

World Conservation Award

You can earn this award by earning the following merit badges:

1. *Environmental Science* merit badge
2. Either *Soil and Water Conservation* OR *Fish and Wildlife Management* merit badge
3. *Citizenship in the World* merit badge

