

Gold (16+ years old)

*You must choose one section to do for 12 months and one for 6 months

Volunteering	Physical	Skills	Expedition	Residential
12 months	6 months or 12 months*	6 months or 12 months*	(plan, train for and complete) 4 days and 3 nights	Take part in a shared activity in a residential setting for 5 days and 4 nights

Queen's Scout Award (16-25 year olds)

- Be a member of Explorer Scouts/Scout Network for at least 18 months. This can include time spent working on the Chief Scout's Platinum and Diamond Awards.
- Complete eighteen nights away, twelve of which must be camping. This can include nights away counted for the Chief Scout's Platinum and Diamond Awards as long as they were after your 16th birthday.
- Complete six activities as an Explorer Scout/Scout Network member from the IEV lists available online at scouts.org.uk, two from each list. If you hold the Chief Scout's Platinum Award, you only need to do four activities. If you have the Chief Scout's Diamond Award, you only need to do two activities.

Ready to get started?

The first step is to talk to your Leader or County DofE Adviser who can get you enrolled for the DofE. You can also enrol for the QSA at scouts.org.uk/QSA, or via your County QSA Adviser.

If you are just turning 14 you will enrol at Bronze level to start with, but if you are 15, 16 or older you can decide which level to enrol for first.

Once enrolled you will receive an eDofE account and a Welcome Pack. It's important that you log into eDofE and keep your account up-to-date as this is where you will submit your evidence and your Award once it is completed.

From there you will decide on your activities and goals and who your Assessors will be. Then all that's left is to have fun developing new skills and making memories.

Find out more...

Talk to your Leader to get more information and take a look at scouts.org.uk/dofe and DofE.org.

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Doing your DofE

Are you...

- Aged 14-24?
- A member of The Scout Association? Or would like to be?
- Up for a challenge?

Then why not do your DofE through The Scout Association?

What is the DofE?

There are three levels of DofE programmes:

- Bronze (minimum age 14)
- Silver (minimum age 15)
- Gold (minimum age 16)

To achieve your Award you must set goals and work towards them in:

- Volunteering
- Skill
- Physical
- Expedition
- Residential (Gold level only)

What do I need to do?

You will need to agree an activity for each section and set some goals. This might include Scouting activities such as hiking, staged performances or being a Young Leader, or hobbies such as dancing, playing a sport or a musical instrument. It is up to you whether you decide to start something new as a beginner or work on an existing interest – as long as you are developing and having fun!

How long will it take?

The duration of each section can be seen on the opposite page (it varies between levels). You must complete an hour a week or equivalent in each section for its duration.

You're probably already doing some activities which could count although setting new goals is always good too.

But what about my Scouting awards?

There's more good news! The top awards in Scouting have been carefully aligned with the DofE meaning that if you are enrolled for one you may as well enrol for the other.

When doing your Gold DofE you can enrol for your QSA and cross-credit all of the relevant sections. There are just a few more requirements for the QSA and then you'll have double the bragging rights! Find out more about your QSA at scouts.org.uk/QSA. The details of how each level and section match can be found on the follow page.

DofE and Scout Awards Levels and Requirements

Bronze (14+ years old)

*You must choose a further three months in the Volunteering, Physical or Skills section

Volunteering	Physical	Skills	Expedition
3 months*	3 months*	3 months*	(plan, train for and complete) 2 days and 1 night

Chief Scout's Platinum Award (14-18 year olds)

- Be a member of Explorer Scouts for at least six months.
- Complete six nights away, four of which must be camping.
- Also complete two activities as an Explorer Scout member from the IEV lists available online at scouts.org.uk (each activity should be from a different list).

Silver (15+ years old)

*You must choose one section to do for 6 months and one for 3 months

Volunteering	Physical	Skills	Expedition
6 months	3 months or 6 months*	3 months or 6 months*	(plan, train for and complete) 3 days and 2 nights

Chief Scout's Diamond Award (14-25 year olds)

- Be a member of Explorer Scouts/Scout Network for at least 12 months. This can include time spent working on the Chief Scout's Platinum Award.
- Complete twelve nights away, eight of which must be camping. If you have already completed the Chief Scout's Platinum Award, you will only need to do another six nights away in addition to the six you have already completed.
- Also complete four activities as an Explorer Scout/Scout Network member from the IEV lists available (only two if you have completed your Chief Scout's Platinum Award) online at scouts.org.uk. These should be different activities from your Chief Scout's Platinum Award and not from the same list.

