



Appendix 1: County Policy for Supporting Activities and Camps

The WHY: Why should the county support this?

- Does it enhance or raise the profile of scouting in the County?
- Will it bring new experiences and benefits?
- What are the goals and objectives of this activity?
- Would this activity benefit the local community visited?

Conditions to be met once the activity has been accepted, e.g. Madagascar

- Be familiar with the requirements of the Scout Association (Explorer Belt Scheme)
- County involvement in the leadership selection for the activity
- Event should be self financing, as far as possible
- Leadership team must hold a valid appointment and be suitably qualified or planning to become qualified before the event
- Provision of financial support for low income participants
- Provisions for special needs where applicable
- The trip must have due regard for local culture and customs
- DCC Activities as the prime county contact must be kept informed at all times
- Leadership team must prepare a comprehensive plan for the trip. See “the how”
- Experience gained must be available/shared to county members via presentations, articles, etc
- The activity should not be used as a means of funding other activities.

The How

- Adequate risk assessment
- Health and safety considerations
- Adequate training for the leadership team and participants
- Liaison with Scout Base for guidance, advice and information
- Regular updates for participants’ parents
- The location/country must be thoroughly researched
- Compliance with scout association rules
- Appointment of a suitable home contact