

Chapter 14

Other Matters

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Rule 14.1 Political Activities

- a. The Scout Movement is not connected with any political body.
- b. Members of the Movement in uniform, or acting as representatives of the Association, must not take part in any party political meetings or activities.

Rule 14.2 Citizenship and Participation

- a. The Association, being concerned to help young people prepare for and take a constructive place in society, encourages, through its training programme, the development of a positive attitude to the needs of the community.
- b. In pursuance of the Association's Purpose, each Member of the Movement shall, within the bounds of age and mental maturity, be encouraged:
 - to become involved in the processes by which decisions are made within the Association and, to that end, to understand to organisation of the Association;
 - to become more aware of major social issues at local, national and international level;
 - to understand the processes of decision-making by organisations and by government, and to become aware of the individual's role in such processes.
- c. It is accepted that this will involve Members of the Movement with current social issues, some of which are controversial and may therefore have a political dimension.
- d. If a recognised public authority makes a public request for volunteers to take action to avoid grave public danger or inconvenience, whether it arises from an industrial dispute or not, a Group Scout Leader, the Leader of a an Explorer Scout Unit, or a Scout Network Leader may, with the consent of the District

Commissioner, offer the services of Scouts provided that each individual participates voluntarily.

Rule 14.3 Expressions of Opinions of the Association's Policy

- a. Members of the Movement may not express opinions on matters of policy or on any matter if it will appear that they are speaking or contributing on behalf of the Association when appearing on television, speaking on the radio or writing for or being interviewed by the Press, unless they have previously obtained permission to do so from Headquarters.
- b. Members of the Movement may not address correspondence on matters relating to Scouting or as representatives of the Association to any Royal personage, Department of State, Embassy or Legation at home or abroad, to any Scout Association Headquarters abroad, or to the World Scout Bureau, World Scout Committee or World Scout Conference except after consultation with and through Headquarters.

Rule 14.4 Associate Organisations

- a. Headquarters may designate certain organisations whose aims and purposes relate to those of the Association.

Rule 14.5 Student Scout and Guide Clubs

- a. A Student Scout and Guide Club may be formed in a higher education or further education institution.
- b. A Club is recognised through the local Scout and Guide County after its constitution has been approved by the local Scout and Guide Commissioners.

- c. The aim of a Student Scout and Guide Club is to promote a framework within which Scout and Guide and other social activities may take place, ideas may be exchanged, and students may maintain, renew or acquire an interest in the principles of Scouting and Guiding.
- d. The purpose of a Student Scout and Guide Club is:
- to provide a programme of activities for its members whether or not they are Members of the Scout and Guide Movements;
 - to create a wider understanding and appreciation of the work of the Scout and Guide Movements, particularly among fellow students, by spreading information and by example;
 - to render service, as a Club, to Scouting and Guiding and the community;
 - to maintain relationships with the Scout and Guide Movements locally.
- e. Students who wish to establish a Student Scout and Guide Club in a higher education or further education institution must seek the approval of their Students' Union and draw up a constitution, embodying the aim and purpose of a Student Scout and Guide Club.
- f. They must then submit it with a Student Scout and Guide Club Registration Form for approval by the local Scout and Guide Commissioners, who must forward it to their respective Headquarters for registration.
- g. A registered and recognised Club receives Associate Organisation status of The Scout Association and is officially recognised by Girlguiding UK.
- h. All Student Scout and Guide Clubs must affiliate to the Student Scout and Guide Organisation.
- i. A Club elects its own Committee from among its members and is responsible for the organisation of meetings and planning activities.
- j. A Club is self-financing and is required to pay the annual affiliation fee to the Student Scout and Guide Organisation.
- k. All Student Scout and Guide Clubs must comply with the Camping, Activity and Safety Rules of The Scout Association and Girlguiding UK.
- l. A member of a Student Scout and Guide Club who is also a Member of the Scout or Guide Movement may wear the Student Scout and Guide Club Badge on uniform.

- m. Further details may be obtained from the Scout Information Centre.

Rule 14.6 Student Scout and Guide Organisation

- a. The aim of the Student Scout and Guide Organisation is to promote Student Scout and Guide Clubs and to provide a forum for discussion on matters that affect such Clubs.
- b. The Organisation receives Associate Organisation status of The Scout Association and is officially recognised by Girlguiding UK.
- c. Further details may be obtained from the Scout Information Centre.

Rule 14.7 Protected Badges and Designations

- a. Except as authorised below the following badges and all Scout designations are protected and may not be used without the prior permission of Headquarters:

Badges and Emblems

- The World Membership Badge
- The Arrowhead Badge and all badges the design of which incorporates the Arrowhead Badge
- The Armorial Bearings of the Association
- The Silver Wolf
- The Wood Badge

Designations

- The name of the Association
 - All designations of Members and appointments which incorporate the word 'Scout'
 - The title 'Scouter'
- b. Scout Executive Committees may, under this Rule, authorise reproduction of the following on flags, letterheads, forms, reports and other stationery, band instruments, signs and notice boards, publicity material, pictures of events or places connected with Scouting, fund raising items and items for presentation and Scout gifts:
- the Arrowhead Badge;
 - the name of the Association;
 - all badges of the Association (excluding the World Membership Badge and the Armorial Bearings of the Association).
- c. The badges and designations permitted are restricted to specific items and quantities being ordered.
- d. This Rule does not empower manufacturers or printers to create stocks of items incorporating such reproductions.

Rule 14.8 Trade Marks

- a. Trade Marks of which the Association is the proprietor or registered user may not be used without the prior permission of Headquarters.

Rule 14.9 Copyright

- a. No organisation or individual may reproduce any part of any publication, the copyright of which is vested in the Association, without the prior written permission of Headquarters.
- b. Except that Scout Executive Committees may authorise the reproduction of extracts suitable to meet a specific purpose in the production of material required to further their work.
- c. The copyright of works which is vested in the Association may only be licensed or assigned by Headquarters.
- d. No organisation or individual may state that any item has been approved, in content, quality or otherwise, by the Association without the prior written permission of Headquarters.

Rule 14.10 Transport

- a. When Members or units of the Movement use their personal or unit transport on Scout activities, they should be aware of the current regulations affecting motor transport. Guidance can be obtained from the Scout Information Centre.