

# 01 Module Essential Information

**Relevant to:**  
All adults in Scouting

## Description

The basic information that all adults in Scouting need to know.

## This means:

- understanding the Purpose, Principles and Methods of The Scout Association
- understanding the importance of The Scout Association's Child Protection Policy and your role in protecting young people from harm
- identifying the main methods of preventing and reporting accidents during Scouting activities
- identifying the support available to help you in your Scouting role
- getting support from other people
- working within the policies and rules of the Movement.

## Questions

- Do you know what Policy Organization and Rules is and where you can see it?
- Have you read The Scout Association's Child Protection Policy (the 'yellow cards')?
- Do you know what to do if you think a child has been abused or if someone tells you that this might be happening?
- Do you know the Equal Opportunities and Safety policy?
- Do you know who to inform if someone is hurt during a Scouting activity?
- Do you know where to find the rules and guidance about activities?
- Do you know who to go to for help?
- Do you know what the Scout Information Centre does and how to contact it?
- Can you explain the Purpose, principles and Methods of Scouting?

## Delivery methods

- Video
- Course
- e-learning

## To validate this module you will need to complete two of the following:

- 1 Carry out a Risk Assessment of a meeting place. (OCN Unit A 3. 1)
- 2 Produce a District/County structures chart listing support mechanisms available to you, including the Scout Information Centre. (OCN Unit A 4.1 and 4.2)
- 3 Describe the actions to take following an accident/incident (or the report of an accident/incident) during a Scouting activity. (OCN Unit A 3.3)
- 4 Plan and carry out a briefing where you explain the Promise and the Law and how they relate to the Fundamentals of The Scout Association to an adult new to Scouting. (OCN Unit A 1.1)
- 5 Explain the key policies of The Scout Association (Equal Opportunities, Child Protection and Safety)
- 6 Any other ideas, subject to agreement with a Training Adviser.

**And:**

Discuss the fundamental principles and key policies of Scouting with your Training Adviser to demonstrate your understanding. (OCN unit A 1.2, 2.1 and 2.3)

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This module forms the whole of the OCN unit *Essential Information for Adults in Scouting*.