

Scouts BSA Outdoor Ethics Awards

Outdoor Ethics Awareness Award

Those interested in learning more about outdoor ethics and Leave No Trace should begin by exploring the Outdoor Ethics Awareness Award.

Scout and Scouter awareness award requirements:

- Recite from memory and explain the meaning of the Outdoor Code.
- Watch the National Park Service Leave No Trace video.
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jXO1uY0MvmQ>
 - *Completed on:* _____
- Complete the Leave No Trace 101 online course and attach your certificate.
 - <https://learn.lnt.org/courses/101-T>
 - *Completed on:* _____
- Complete the Tread Lightly! online course and attach your certificate.
 - <https://tread-lightly.teachable.com/p/online-awareness-course>
 - *Completed on:* _____
- Participate in an outdoor ethics course, workshop, or training activity facilitated by a person who has completed the BSA outdoor ethics orientation course or is a BSA outdoor ethics trainer or master.
 - *Completed on:* _____

For other awards and the latest requirements, please visit: <https://www.scouting.org/outdoor-programs/outdoor-ethics/awards/scouts-bsa/>

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Outdoor Ethics Action Award

The Outdoor Ethics Action Award challenges Scouts and Scouters to take affirmative steps to improve their outdoor skills. The requirements for the Outdoor Ethics Action Award are as follows:

Scout Action Award Requirements

- Earn the Outdoor Ethics Awareness Award.
 - Completed on: _____
- Complete the BSA outdoor ethics orientation course.
 - Completed on: _____
- Explain how each of the four points of the Outdoor Code guides your actions when outdoors.
 - Completed on: _____
- Read Chapter 7 of the Scouts BSA Handbook on Outdoor Ethics.
 - Completed on: _____
- Teach a skill related to the Outdoor Code or Leave No Trace to another Scout in your troop or another Scouting unit.
 - Completed on: _____
- Successfully complete a term as your troop Outdoor Ethics Guide.
 - Completed on: _____
- Participate in an outing that emphasizes the complete set of Leave No Trace or relevant Tread Lightly! principles.
 - Completed on: _____
- Follow the Outdoor Code, Leave No Trace, and Tread Lightly! principles on three outings.
 - Write a paragraph on each outing explaining how you followed the Outdoor Code, Leave No Trace, and Tread Lightly!
 - Completed on: _____
 - Share it with your unit leader or an individual who has completed the BSA outdoor ethics orientation course.
 - Completed on: _____

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Outdoor Ethics Action Award (cont.)

Scout Action Award Requirements

- On a troop outing, help your troop on a service activity that addresses recreational impacts related to the type of outing. The project should be approved in advance by the landowner or land manager and lead to permanent or long-term improvements.
 - Completed on: _____
- Participate in a report at a court of honor or similar family event on the service activity in Requirement 5.
 - Completed on: _____



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Scouter Action Award Requirements

- Earn the Outdoor Ethics Awareness Award.
 - Completed on: _____
- Complete the BSA outdoor ethics orientation course.
 - Completed on: _____
- Discuss with your troop how each of the four points of the Outdoor Code guides your actions when outdoors.
 - Completed on: _____
- Read the North American Skills & Ethics booklet to learn about the principles of Leave No Trace.
 - Completed on: _____
 - Review the principles of Tread Lightly!
 - Completed on: _____
 - Review Chapter 7 of the Scouts BSA Handbook and Fieldbook chapters about Leave No Trace, using stoves and campfires, hygiene and waste disposal, and traveling and camping in special environments.
 - Completed on: _____
- Facilitate your troop's leadership in planning and leading an outing that emphasizes the complete set of Leave No Trace or Tread Lightly! principles.
 - Completed on: _____
 - All members of the troop participating in the outing should use outdoor ethics and the specific skills to minimize impacts from their use of the outdoors.

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Outdoor Ethics Action Award (cont.)

Scouter Action Award Requirements

- Help plan and participate in at least three outings where your troop can follow the Outdoor Code and practice the principles of Leave No Trace and Tread Lightly!
 - Completed on: _____
 - Facilitate a discussion at the end of the outings
 - Completed on: _____
- Assist your unit in arranging for a service project emphasizing outdoor ethics with a local landowner or land manager.
 - Completed on: _____
 - The project must be approved by the landowner or land manager in advance.
 - Approved on: _____
 - Participate in that project. The project should lead to permanent or long-term improvements.
 - Completed on: _____
- Make, or facilitate youth in making, a presentation at a roundtable or similar gathering about what your troop did for Requirement 4.
 - Completed on: _____
- Help at least three Scouts earn the youth Outdoor Ethics Action Award.
 - Completed on: _____

Boy Scouts

Outdoor Ethics Awareness and Action Award Application

Name: _____

Council: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP code: _____

Boy Scout troop: _____

Award Earned

- ☐ Outdoor Ethics Awareness Award
- ☐ Outdoor Ethics Action Award
- ☐ Scouter Outdoor Ethics Action Award

Applicant signature:

Date: _____

Unit approval:

Date: _____

***Submit this application to your local council
service center.***