

# SCOUTS BSA, SEA SCOUT, and VENTURING INTERNATIONAL SPIRIT AWARD

The International Spirit Award is a Unit centric award that recognizes registered Scouts and Adult Leaders who have completed the necessary requirements, have gained a greater knowledge of International Scouting, and have developed a greater appreciation and awareness of different cultures and countries. The International Spirit Award should be recorded through Scoutbook Plus (formerly Internet Advancement) or via an official Scouting America Advancement form. Please note, this emblem is a restricted item only available through your local Scout Shop or National Supply Customer Service with required paperwork. Upon completion of the award application, the [International Spirit Award emblem](#) (sku # 655929) can be purchased at your local Scout Shop with required paperwork. The local council Scout Shop can order this award emblem for you if currently not in stock or it can be ordered through the BSA National Supply Customer Service team by emailing this completed and signed application to [NDCSupply.Orders@scouting.org](mailto:NDCSupply.Orders@scouting.org) along with your contact phone number. The International Spirit Award is a temporary emblem that can be proudly worn centered on the right pocket of your Scouting America uniform shirt.

Please fill out the application with the date that each requirement was completed. All requirements must be met within 5 years from the start to completion of the award.

## Requirements

### Completion Date

1. Earn the World Conservation Award.

2. Earn the Citizenship in the World Merit Badge (Alternative for Venturers: Complete the "Understanding Other Cultures" requirement of the TRUST Award).

3. Participate in Jamboree-on-the-Air or Jamboree-on-the-Internet.

4. Organize a World Friendship Fund collection at a unit meeting, district roundtable or district event.

5. Complete three of the 10 Experience Requirements.

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## Experience Requirements

Completion Date

1. Host an international Scout or unit at a local Council camp and plan activities to help you learn about Scouting in their country. \*Please note that hosting in private homes is not considered an official Scouting activity.
2. Learn about another country and prepare a dinner traditionally served there. Explain what you learned to friends or family over the meal.
3. Participate in a World Scout Jamboree, international camporee, or another international Scouting event. Share the experience with your unit or at a district roundtable.
4. Take a trip to another country as an individual or with your family or Scouting unit. Make sure to visit a Scouting event or unit in that country. When you return home, share your experience with another unit.
5. Organize and participate in a Messengers of Peace project. Share the experience with your unit or at a district roundtable, making sure to explain which dimensions of the program your project promoted.
6. Earn the interpreter strip.
7. Research Scouting in another country. Make a presentation at a unit meeting or district roundtable.
8. Contact your local council's International Representative and assist them with at least two items they need help with promoting.
9. Research the process of obtaining a U.S. passport. Create a fact sheet for your unit or district to assist them with requirements for traveling internationally.
10. Research a region of the World Organization of the Scout Movement. Make a presentation at a unit meeting or district roundtable.

## Certification

I certify that I have completed the necessary requirements.

**Applicant:** Signature

Date

I certify that I have discussed the completed requirements with the applicant and that the requirements were met to my satisfaction.

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Unit Leader Signature

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Date

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Troop/Crew/Ship: \_\_\_\_\_

Council Name: \_\_\_\_\_