

Partnership Agreement - blank



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Where a Scout Group wishes to work closely with an Explorer Scout Unit, or where an Explorer Scout Unit wishes to link closely with one or more Groups, a Partnership agreement needs to be signed by the parties involved.

The Partnership Agreement is designed to help a Scout District ensure that an Explorer Scout Unit and the one or more Scout Groups it links with, has an effective working relationship. This is a framework for an Agreement, in that it contains a number of statements that could be used, however these **should** be modified or deleted according to the individual circumstances of the particular Scout Group and Unit. It should also be modified where the agreement is with another Scouting body, for example, an Activity Centre.

This partnership agreement should be reviewed annually, or whenever one or more of the signatories to the Agreement changes.

Introduction

Note: The agreement may be two way, between a Group and District, or three way, where an existing Explorer Scout Unit wishes to establish a partnership.

1. This Support Agreement is between the _____ Scout District and the _____ Scout Group (for the provision of Explorer Scouting) and if appropriate, the _____ Explorer Scout Unit.
2. Membership of the Unit is open to _____ (this will normally be any member of The Scout Association, except in closed sponsored Groups).
3. Management of the Group is the responsibility of the Group Scout Leader. Management of the Explorer Scout Unit rests with the District Explorer Scout Commissioner.

Liaison between the Unit and the Group

4. Effective liaison between Group and Unit is important. The Unit's Explorer Scout Leader is invited to attend the following Group meetings _____ (for example Group Executive Committee and/or Group Leaders' Meeting). These other Leaders/Unit Members _____ may also attend these Group meetings _____.
5. The Scout Leader and Explorer Scout Leader will meet at least _____ times a year to plan linking between the two Sections. (It is recognised that Scouts may join one or more Explorer Scout Unit(s).

Links between the Scout Troop and the Explorer Scout Section

6. The Scout Leader and the District Explorer Scout Commissioner (or their representative) will ensure that effective transfer of Members takes place. The aim is for ALL Scouts to become Explorer Scouts. This will be helped by _____ (may include joint activities, administrative systems, etc.)
7. Every year, the Scout Leader will provide details of Scouts aged 13 and over to the District Explorer Scout Administrator.

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8. A Scout may choose to join any Explorer Scout Unit. This Agreement does not mean that Scouts should only join the Unit partnered with this Group. Also, a Scout may join more than one Explorer Scout Unit.

Equipment, facilities and resources

9. The Explorer Scout Unit will meet at _____, which is the property of the Scout Group. The financial arrangements for providing the meeting place are _____
10. The Explorer Scout Unit will normally meet at _____ (day/time). The Unit may also use the meeting place at other times, provided this booking procedure is followed _____
11. The Scout Group will provide the Unit with access to the following resources: _____ (E.g. minibus, equipment). The Unit will follow this booking procedure: _____
12. The Unit will be able to provide the Group with access to the following resources

13. The Scout Group will provide the following financial assistance:

14. The Scout Group will, in the event of the Unit's closure, have ownership of the following:
_____. Any other resources will go to the District Scout Council.
15. The Explorer Scout Unit will manage its own finances. It will provide annual accounts to, and pay the Headquarters membership fee, along with any other fees (e.g. County and District) to the District Treasurer.
16. The Explorer Scout Unit (or individual members) will pay the following to the Scout Group for use of their facilities and/or resources _____.
17. The Explorer Scout Unit will assist the Group in the following activities or areas
_____.
18. The Explorer Scout Unit, has, or intends to establish additional Partnership Agreements with the following Groups _____
19. Any other details (such as wearing of Group scarves, fundraising, etc.)

Review

20. This agreement will be reviewed by all parties in _____ (month) of _____ (year) or if there is a change of any of the persons holding the roles below:

Signatures to the agreement For the Scout group

For The Explorer Scout Unit

For The District

Group Scout Leader

Explorer Scout Leader

District Explorer Scout Commissioner

Date: _____