



## How to support your Young Leader (a brief overview for unit leaders)



### Who are Young Leaders?

Members of Girlguiding aged 14-18 volunteering with a Rainbow, Brownie or Guide Unit

Young people who bring skills, enthusiasm and an extra pair of hands as well as being a great role model and a link between sections.

### What qualifications can they do?



At 14 they can work towards their Young Leader Qualification (YLQ)

At 16 they can work towards their Adult Leader Qualification (ALQ)

They do NOT have to do either

At 16 they can work towards their Queens Guide Award

Their service can also count towards the Duke of Edinburgh Award

### What does the YLQ involve?

The YLQ comprises of 6 modules that are similar to the modules 1 and 2 of the ALQ

All of the modules must be completed but can be done in any order

The clauses can be signed off in a workbook that should be printed for her by the Unit Leader. The leadership team or anyone witnessing the activity, action or discussion can sign the book. The YL should keep evidence in the form of notes, minutes of meetings, photographs etc so that this can be used towards the ALQ later.



### What do unit leaders need to do?

Let your Commissioner and County YL adviser (Tracy Crickmore) know about your new, amazing addition to the team so they can add them to Go

Let your YL know about local meetings and trainings, perhaps offer a lift or offer funding for transport.

If they are completing the YLQ, print off a workbook and go through it with them

Invite your YL to planning meetings and provide opportunities for them to complete clauses from the YLQ

Encourage her to add her own email address to her Go record and under personal preferences and to tick marketing so she gets all the latest Girlguiding news and opportunities

When your YL has completed her YLQ ask a local commissioner to review the clauses and workbook with your YL.

Notify the YL adviser about the completion and order a badge and certificate form the County Badge Secretary

### What does a YL taking her YLQ have to commit to?



Attending unit planning meetings

Completing A Safe Space 1 and 2 trainings and a programme training, either as e-learning or face to face

Keeping records of all the activities she has delivered to complete all the clauses

<https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/globalassets/docs-and-resources/programme-and-activities/young-leader-qual-notes-for-leaders.pdf>