



## -GIRLGUIDING LEICESTERSHIRE -

# Application Form International opportunities for 2020

Dear Guide, Ranger, Young Leader,

Every year we hold an international opportunities weekend at Topstones County Campsite to meet different girls from around the county and see who will be given the opportunity to travel the following summer on an international adventure with Leicestershire or even Girlguiding Midlands.

The purpose of the weekend is for you to learn a little more about international travel within guiding.

During the weekend you will be asked to complete various activities, both within a team and individually. This will give the leaders present a good insight of your skills and interests, so we can get to know you better and ultimately give you a suitable opportunity to travel internationally with Girlguiding.

International trips can vary in size from small groups of (10+) to large camps with (20,000) fellow Girlguiding members, including camps/ Jamboree's, indoor events, home hospitality, staying within a youth hostel or travelling between cities.

Some trips involve specific skills, e.g. sailing, music, art or community work, but all who go on an international adventure speak of the memories and friendships made for many years after their trip.

To make sure your application is accepted and put through to the weekend there are a couple of criteria that you must meet:

- Be 14 years old or over by end of July 2019.
- Be an active member of a Guide unit, Ranger unit or be an active Young Leader in Leicestershire.
- Commit to attending the whole opportunities weekend. **Friday 15 - Sunday 17 March 2019**
- Submit a fully completed application form, signed by your unit leader before 1 December 2018
- A completed leader character reference form signed by your leader.
- Applications received after this date cannot be guaranteed a place on the weekend.

All applications must be either sent to;

- *International Application 2020, Ruth Barsby, County Office, 97, Princess Road East, Leicester LE1 7DW*
- *office@girlguidingleicestershire.org*

### **Before the Opportunities weekend, you will be sent out:**

- A further letter explaining the details about the weekend and all the contact information.
- A list of equipment/kit list to take with you.
- A list of activities that you will need to bring with you.
- A health form.
- A consent form.
- Information regarding the payment of £35 required for the weekend.
- Photo permission form.

All the above items will need to be completed and sent back before the weekend to secure your place.

You should be prepared to commit 110% to this international opportunity and understand that the work does not finish when you return from your trip.

If you are successful to gain a place on an international adventure, please see below a couple of initial points to remember.

At the end of the opportunities weekend we will be holding a parents/carer meeting to run through the details of what happens next. If successful you will then be invited to a parent's meeting in July 2019 at county office, where you will meet your trip leaders for the first time. At this point you will be asked to sign a commitment letter and pay a non-refundable deposit of £100 to confirm your place. (Region trips may vary slightly)

When you have returned from your international adventure you will be expected to submit the following:

- A full report of your trip.
- 1 or 2 of your individual trip badges if you are able.
- At least 10 photos by CD or paper.
- A completed evaluation form.
- Your accounts.

You will also be expected to attend an International Feedback Evening held at county office or round the county and attend the following year's opportunities weekend to provide a small presentation about your trip.

As a County International team, we look forward to receiving your application form and hope to meet you in March 2019 for an action-packed weekend. As we hope to send as many girls as we can to International Adventures within 2020.

Kind Regards

Ruth Barsby  
Girlguiding Leicestershire County International Adviser



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**PLEASE COMPLETE USING BLUE OR BLACK PEN BLOCK CAPITALS or type.**

<p><b>Name:</b> .....</p> <p><b>Address:</b> .....</p> <p>.....</p> <p>.....</p> <p><b>Postcode:</b> .....</p> <p><b>Phone:</b> .....</p> <p><b>Mobile:</b> .....</p> <p><b>Email:</b> .....</p> <p>.....</p> <p><b>Membership Number:</b>.....</p>	<p><b>Date of birth:</b> .....</p> <p><b>Age as at 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019</b> .....</p> <p><b>Guide:.....Ranger:.....Young Leader: .....</b></p> <p><b>Unit(s):</b> .....</p> <p>.....</p> <p><b>District:</b> .....</p> <p><b>Division:</b> .....</p> <p><b>Special Diet:</b> .....</p> <p>.....</p> <p><b>Any health requirements for the weekend:</b></p> <p>.....</p>
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### EDUCATION, GUIDING INFORMATION

<p>If you are at school,</p> <p><b>Name of school or college:</b> .....</p> <p>.....</p> <p><b>Year</b> .....</p>	<p>If you are at work or have a job,</p> <p><b>Place of work:</b> .....</p> <p>.....</p> <p><b>Job title:</b> .....</p>
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Please give examples of your main interests at school:

  
  
  

Which, if any, foreign languages can you speak and for how long have you learnt them?

  
  
  

Can you swim?    yes / no                      Can you swim 50 metres fully clothed?    yes / no

How long have you been involved in Girlguiding and in which sections?

  
  
  

Have you done First Aid Training?    yes / no                      If so, what First Aid Qualifications do you have?

  
  
  

Please give examples of recent Guide/ Rangers events you have attended:

Have you previously been camping with Guides or as a Ranger, Young Leader? If so where?

Please give examples of how you would go about fundraising £1200?

What hobbies and interests outside of Guiding do you have, including any qualifications gained:

Have you travelled internationally before and please tell us where you have been and where you would like to go?

All International adventures costs differ depending on where in world they might be please tick to confirm what amount you are happy to fundraise, **Please see Trip EXAMPLES ONLY below:**

<b>£1200 - £1500</b>	<b>£2000-£2500</b>	<b>Over £2500-£3000+</b>
Europe	World Centre,	World Scout Jamboree,
County Trip	County Trip	Rest of World,
	Region Trip	Region Trip

Please write alongside each type of Trip if it is something would like to do and why?

- Large camp Jamboree*.....
- Lightweight camping*.....
- Guiding World Centre*.....
- Adventurous Activities*.....
- Youth Hostels, City Break*.....
- Water activities*.....
- Cultural experience*.....
- Service project*.....
- Europe*.....
- Rest of the World*.....
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Guide, Ranger, Young Leader Signature: ..... Date: .....

Leader Name:.....

Leader Signature: ..... Date: .....

Leader email:.....

Leader Unit .....

Leader District.....

Leader Division.....

Parents/guardian signature of girl.....