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**APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT
 AS A YOUTH HELPER**

This form is to be sent to Region Office by the relevant Sectional Region Leader after completion of Parts A, B and C. Non-Venturers also require an "Application for Youth Membership" (Form Y1) to be completed and forwarded by the Group Leader to the Region Office.

PART A - TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT IN BLOCK LETTERS

Membership Number (if applicable) Full Name _____

Date of Birth _____ Sex M F Home Phone (____) _____

Home Address _____ Town/S _____ State _____ Postcode _____

Host Group _____ Region _____

Service in Scout/Guide Movements

Section	From Date	To Date	Group	Highest Award	Highest Rank

Declaration by Applicant

I understand and accept the Scout Promise and the Scout Law as my personal undertaking and as the foundation of Scouting; and agree to uphold these principles to the best of my ability. I undertake not to operate within the Scout Association in any way until authorised to do so by the appropriate Region Leader. I also undertake that, if directed by the Region Commissioner at any time, to cease activities with the Association without any reasons being given, and I will comply with such direction without question, including the return of any Association funds, property or records when called upon to do so by my Region Leader, Region Association, or State Office. I further agree to abide by the Rules and Regulations now in force, or which may come into force under the authority of The Scout Association of Australia - New South Wales. I am between 15 and 18 years of age.

I have received a copy of, or am aware of, the Scouts NSW Privacy Policy, and I consent to the information collected on this form and through Scouting activities to be used in accordance with the rights and obligations set out in that policy. I also acknowledge that any third party, about whom information on this form has been provided by me, has been informed of the Association's collection of their information and that they are aware of the Scouts NSW Privacy Policy. A copy of the policy is available on our website www.nsw.scouts.com.au

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____ Date _____

PART B – RECOMMENDATIONS

I agree to the Applicant being appointed as a Youth Helper with the _____ (Formation e.g. 1st Goolgowi Scout Troop)

Name of Section Leader (Host Section) _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Name of VSL (if a Venturer Scout) _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Name of Guider (if Ranger /Ranger Guide) _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Name of Group Leader/LIC (Host Group) _____ Signature _____ Date _____

PART C - APPROVAL BY REGION LEADER

Please issue to me by _____ a Certificate and Badge for presentation to: _____

of _____ Venturer Unit, who is recommended for appointment as a Youth Helper with the _____ (Host Section), and who has enrolled in an approved "Youth Helper" Course at _____

on _____ and who complies with the requirements for appointment as laid down by P & R and prevailing State policy.

Name of Region Leader _____ Signature _____ Date _____

REGION OFFICE USE ONLY

APPLICATION RECEIVED	CERTIFICATE & BADGE ISSUED	DATA ENTRY	Membership No. <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
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SEE INSTRUCTIONS FOR LEADERS ON REVERSE

**NOTES FOR THE GUIDANCE OF LEADERS
CONCERNING YOUTH HELPERS**

- (1) A Section Leader may, with the approval of the VSL concerned, obtain the services of a Venturer Scout or, with the approval of the Guider concerned, obtain the services of a Ranger or a Ranger Guide, to assist the Section as a Youth Helper. Other young persons may join the Movement as Youth Helpers only in the Joey Scout and Cub Scout Sections without previous Scouting or Guiding experience.
- (2) The approval of the Region Leader for the relevant Section is required in all cases.
- (3) Youth Helpers will be given the following appointments depending on the Section in which they serve, and are subject to the specified age ranges:

Joey Scout Mob	Joey Scout Helper	Minimum Age 15	Maximum Age 18 *
Cub Scout Pack	Cub Scout Instructor	Minimum Age 15	Maximum Age 18 *
Scout Troop	Scout Helper	Minimum Age 17	Maximum Age 18 *

* On turning 18 the applicant can no longer be a Youth Helper

- (4) All applicants must complete a "Youth Helper" Course before being appointed as a Youth Helper.
- (5) Young persons, who are not Venturer Scouts, Rangers, or Ranger Guides, must also serve a satisfactory period of three months with a Section before being appointed as a Youth Helper. On appointment the Scout Promise will be made and uniform worn as in P & R Rule 14.
- (6) A Youth Helper is entitled, on appointment, to wear a Youth Helper cloth badge at the base of the right sleeve of the uniform (as it is considered to be a Specialist Badge).
- (7) The appointment of a Youth Helper shall terminate on the person concerned reaching the maximum age requirement.

NSW STATE POLICY REQUIRES:

FOR APPLICANTS WHO ARE NOT VENTURER SCOUTS, RANGERS OR RANGER GUIDES:-

- That an Application for Youth Membership is completed.
- That the probationary period of 3 months is to commence from the date the applicant completes this form.
- That service in the Movement is to be counted from the date of appointment and that Service Badges can be worn on this basis.

FOR ALL APPLICANTS:-

- That this application for appointment is to be lodged with the Region Leader prior to the applicant attending a Youth Helper Course.
- That the Region Leader will make arrangements for the presentation of the Certificate of Appointment and Youth Helper Badge, and the investiture of non-invested applicants, following satisfactory completion of an approved Youth Helper Course and fulfilment of all other pertinent requirements.
- That service as a Youth Helper is not to be considered as Pre-appointment Adult Training.
- That the Region Leader must be assured that duties as a Youth Helper do not interfere with education and Scout/Guide training commitments.

LIMITATIONS OF APPOINTMENT:

Youth Helpers may:

- Attend every Section meeting.
- Under the supervision of the Section Leaders assist in all aspects of the Section programme.
- Run games under the supervision of the Section Leaders
- Assist by having gear in readiness for games, activities, craft etc.
- Assist in a minor capacity in ceremonies where appropriate (see also below).
- Attend Region training meetings with the approval of the Region Leader.
- Attend Region functions with the approval of the Region Commissioner.

Youth Helpers must not in any circumstances:

- Take charge of a Section or any part of a Section at any time.
- Perform any role in ceremonies which is to be carried out only by a Leader.
- Attend any Adult Training Course.
- Be a regular visitor at the Group Council.

Note: In places where problems arise with the applicant attending a Youth Helper Course, the applicant may partake in a course of training within the Section and run by Section Leaders. Permission of the Sectional Region Commissioner or equivalent is required before the applicant undertakes such training.