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Sea Scout Leadership Award-Informational Packet



The purpose of the Sea Scout Leadership Award

The Sea Scout Leadership Award is presented by councils, areas, regions, and the BSA National Council to Sea Scouts and Sea Scouters who have made exceptional contributions to Sea Scouting and who exemplify the Scout Oath and Scout Law.

Qualifications

Be registered and involved as a Sea Scout or Sea Scouter for at least one year. Hold a leadership position or an office at the unit, district, council, area, region, or national level

Show exceptional dedication and give outstanding leadership and service to Sea Scouting and to Sea Scouts (at the level appropriate for the award).

Nominations

Nomination Form

The nomination form can be found at seascout.org/leadership-award.

Nomination Deadline

Council - Dates are set by the local council; turn forms in to the local council.

Area - April 1 to the national service center, Office of the Sea Scout Director

Region - March 1 to the national service center, Office of the Sea Scout Director

National - March 1 to the national service center, Office of the Sea Scout Director

Area, regional and national nomination forms can be emailed to: seascouts@scouting.org OR a hard copy can be mailed to:

Boy Scouts of America Office of the Sea Scout Director, S280 P.O. Box 152079 Irving, TX 75015-2079



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Nomination Suggestions

The following are suggestions to include in a nomination packet:

A narrative that justifies the nomination including where the nominee went "above and beyond."

Multiple letters of recommendation (2 to 4) from different areas of the nominee's life to give a more well-rounded view of the nominee. These could include an instructor, coach Skipper/Commodore/Boatswain, or a church/community leader.

A list of all of Scouting positions (specifically list all Sea Scout positions and year held). Even if the position did not have a title, serving as the chair of a large project should be listed

A list of any involvement outside of the Scouting program (sports, community groups, etc.).

A list of awards received in Scouting.

Nominations carry more weight if a youth submits the nomination form.

Selection

Selection Committee

The selection committee will be made up of past recipients of the SSLA and leadership from the appropriate organizational level. Only youth and the immediate past youth award recipients are eligible to vote. In the case that no past recipients are available, a committee can be formed at the discretion of the respective commodore and staff advisor but the committee must be made up of at least 50% youth, all adults will serve as nonvoting members.

Quotas

The national Sea Scout Committee will establish the number of awards to be granted at each level. Currently the numbers are:

Council - 2 per council with up to 5 ships, 1 for each additional 5 ships or fraction thereof Area - 2 per area with up to 10 ships, 1 for each additional 10 ships or fraction thereof Regional - Up to 2
National - Up to 2

There will be a balance of awards; if more than one award is presented, at least 50% of the awards will be presented to youth. For example, if 2 awards are presented at least one must be awarded to a youth; and so on.

The National Sea Scout Committee recognizes the importance of recognizing the leadership in the Sea Scout program. In exceptional cases, the National Commodore and Director can review petitions from a selection committee and extend the quota.

Selection Committee Report

Once a selection committee selects the award recipients, the Commodore of the appropriate level must submit the signed Sea Scout Leadership Award Nomination form to the Office of the National Director via email, seascouts@scouting.org. The Office of the National Director will then mail the certificate out to for presentation.

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Recognition

Council Sea Scout Leadership Awards

Medallion suspended from blue and white ribbon, No. 636183 Certificate, Awarded by the Office of the Sea Scout Director Knot, No. 14220 with a miniature Sea Scout device, No. 931 PAS Code, 855(Youth) 856(Adult)

Area Sea Scout Leadership Awards

Medallion suspended from gray and white ribbon, No. 636184 Certificate, Awarded by the Office of the Sea Scout Director Knot, No. 14220 with a miniature Sea Scout device, No. 931 PAS Code, 857(Youth) 858(Adult)

Region Sea Scout Leadership Awards

Medallion suspended from green and white ribbon, No. 636185 Certificate, Awarded by the Office of the Sea Scout Director Knot, No. 14220 with a miniature Sea Scout device, No. 931 PAS Code, 859(Youth) 863(Adult)

National Sea Scout Leadership Awards

Medallion suspended from red and white ribbon, No. 636186 Certificate, Awarded by the Office of the Sea Scout Director Knot, No. 14220 with a miniature Sea Scout device, No. 931 PAS Code, 862(Youth) 864(Adult)

Awards should be presented at an appropriate event for the level such as a Council Awards Banquet, an Area Sea Scout Event, a Regional Bridge of Honor, or the Boy Scouts of America National Annual Meeting.