

# INTERNATIONAL AWARENESS RECOGNITION REQUIREMENTS

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## **Cub Scout/Daisy/Brownies Requirements (Grades 1-5, age 6-10) (Earns Patch and Pin):**

- A. Look up the definition of the word “Catholic” in the dictionary and write out the definition.
- B. Do 2 or more of the following 5 options:
  1. List 10 countries that have Scouting programs for Catholics.
  2. Earn the Light of Christ, Family of God, Parvuli Dei or I Live My Faith Award.
  3. Know the name of the Patron Saint of Scouts and Girl Guides around the world and the date of his feast day.
  4. A modification of the Jerusalem Cross is used as a symbol of the International Catholic Conference for Scouting (ICCS). It is sometimes known as the “Crusader Cross”, and is found on the International Awareness Patch. Draw a picture or take a photo of it.
  5. With your parent, guardian or Scout Leaders visit a Catholic Church of a different national background or a different rite from your own.

## **Boy Scouts/Cadets/Juniors Requirements (Grades 6-8, age 10-13) (Earns Patch and Pin):**

- A. Look up the definition of “Catholic” in the dictionary or Catholic Encyclopedia and tell how it applies to the Catholic Church.
- B. Do any 3 or more of the following 9 options:
  1. Correspond with a Catholic Scout in another country by e-mail or mail.
  2. Help a Cub Scout, Daisy or Brownie earn his/her International Awareness Patch.
  3. Earn the “Citizenship in the World” Merit Badge.
  4. Earn the Ad Altare Dei or Marian award.
  5. Learn about the life of the Patron Saint of Scouts, and discuss him with your counselor.
  6. Talk to someone who has experienced Catholicism in another country about what it is like to live as a Catholic in that country.

7. View a video or movie on Scouting in another country (e.g., World Jamboree, World Youth Day).
8. Learn to say “Be Prepared” and the Sign of the Cross in a foreign language.
9. Visit the web sites of the World Organization of the Scouting Movement (WOSM) at [www.scout.org](http://www.scout.org) and the International Catholic Conference for Scouting (ICCS) at [www.cics.org](http://www.cics.org) How many countries have a Scouting Program? How many countries are members of ICCS?

## **Venturing/Senior Boy or Girl Scout Requirements (Grades 9-12, age 14-17) (Earns Patch, Pin and Medallion)**

- A. Help at least one younger Scout earn his/her International Awareness Recognition.
- B. Do any 3 or more of the following 9 options:
  1. Correspond by email with 2 Catholic Scouts in two other countries.
  2. Visit the web sites of the World Organization of the Scouting Movement (WOSM) at [www.scout.org](http://www.scout.org) and the International Catholic Conference on Scouting (ICCS) at [www.cics.org](http://www.cics.org) Discuss the contents with your crew/counselor
  3. List 20 countries including at least one in each of the 4 regions that have Scouting programs for Catholics.
  4. Participate in the JOTA or JOTI
  5. Teach a Cub, Daisy, Brownie, or Boy Scout about the life of the Patron Saint of Scouts and Girl Guides.
  6. Attend a Divine Liturgy or a Mass celebrated in a Catholic Church of a different national background or a different rite from your own. Discuss your experience with your Crew and counselor.
  7. Earn the Pope Pius XII or The Spirit Alive Award.

8. View a video or movie on Scouting in another country (e.g., World Jamboree, World Youth Day).
9. Attend a National or World Jamboree or other International Scouting activity and speak with Scouts from 2 other countries about the role of religion in their Scouting programs.

## **Scout Leader Requirements (Age 18 or above) (Earns Patch, Pin and Medallion)**

- A. Help at least 2 Cubs, Daisies, Brownies, Scouts or Venturers in different units to earn the International Awareness Recognition.
- B. Do any three (3) or more of the following eight (8) options:
  1. Participate in a National or World Jamboree or other International Scouting activity. Share with youth in Scouting the religious dimension of what you experienced.
  2. Correspond by email with 2 Catholic Scout Leaders in two other countries.
  3. Participate and assist Cubs, Daisies, Brownies, Scouts or Venturers participate in JOTA or JOTI.
  4. Explain to Cubs, Daisies, Brownies, Scouts or Venturers the differences and similarities between at least 2 kinds of religious art (e.g. icons, statues, mosaics, paintings).
  5. Share information with Cubs, Daisies, Brownies, Scouts or Venturers about Scouting for Catholics in another country.
  6. Earn the BSA International Award.
  7. Attend a Divine Liturgy or a Mass celebrated in a Catholic Church of a different national background or a different rite from your own. Share this experience (and provide transportation if possible) with 2 or more Cubs, Daisies, Brownies, Scouts or Venturers.
  8. Think about the difference it makes in your life that you are a Catholic, and share it with the Scouting youth with whom you work.

## International Awareness Recognition

Upon fulfillment of the requirements, submit a completed application to your local Diocesan Scout Chaplain or Catholic Committee on Scouting.

For you diocesan chaplain or DCCS contact name and address:

- Check on line at:  
(<http://www.nccs-bsa.org/region-diocese/region.php>)
- Contact your (arch)diocesan Youth Ministry office,
- Your local Boy Scout service center or
- The National Catholic Committee on Scouting  
P. O. Box 152079  
Irving, Texas 75015-2079  
Telephone 972-580-2114

Make check payable to NCCS.

**Diocesan contact:** Use the ESCO order form to order.

Cubs and younger Scouts:

(\_\_\_) \$5.50 for the Pin and Patch recognition.

Older Scouts, Venturing, and/or Scouters:

(\_\_\_) \$18.25 for the Medallion and Patch recognition, or

(\_\_\_) \$20.00 for a Medallion, a Pin, and a Patch.

Please print: This is your mailing label.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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## Certification

### Cub Scout:

I completed requirement A and options # \_\_\_\_ and # \_\_\_\_.

Signed by:

Cub Scout: \_\_\_\_\_, Age \_\_\_\_.

Attested by:

Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_.

### Boy Scouts/Cadets/Juniors:

I completed requirement A and options # \_\_\_\_, # \_\_\_\_, # \_\_\_\_.

Signed by:

Boy Scout/Venturing: \_\_\_\_\_, Age \_\_\_\_.

Attested by:

Parent, Guardian, or Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

### Venturing/Senior Boy or Girl Scout:

I completed requirement A and options # \_\_\_\_, # \_\_\_\_, # \_\_\_\_.

Signed by:

Boy Scout/Venturing: \_\_\_\_\_, Age \_\_\_\_.

Attested by:

Parent, Guardian, or Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

### Scout Leader

I completed requirement A and options # \_\_\_\_, # \_\_\_\_, # \_\_\_\_.

Signed by:

Leader: \_\_\_\_\_

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