

District Youth Commissioner - All about the role

Outline:

The role is to ensure that young people from 6 – 25 years are involved and engaged in every decision that shapes their Scouting experience locally and to empower young people to share their ideas and have a meaningful voice in planning, implementing and reviewing their programme and opportunities.

Responsible to:

District Commissioner

Responsible for:

Deputy District Youth Commissioner(s) (if appointed)

Main Contacts:

As an integral member of the District Leadership Team, the District Youth Commissioner works in partnership with the other team members. You will also have direct contact with young people in the District and the adult volunteers who work with them on a weekly basis.

Note: due to the geography of our District (Groups in France, Italy and Spain) contact will predominantly be remote with some opportunities to meet teams face to face at District events.

Appointment requirements:

18-25 years old at the time of appointment. Must successfully complete the appointment process (including acceptable personal enquiries, acceptance of The Scout Association's policies and eligibility to become a charitable Trustee). During the five months of Provisional Appointment, the relevant *Getting Started* modules must be completed. A Wood Badge must be completed during the Appointment, and ongoing safeguarding and safety training must be completed.

Main Tasks:

- Champion, encourage and lead the work to ensure that, by 2025, scouting in the District is shaped by young people in partnership with adults. This will be achieved by working in partnership and collaboration and with the District Commissioner, District Chairperson and District Team
- Support youth shaped scouting in the programme
- Embed young people in local decision making
- Develop young people in the District
- Wider engagement with the work of the District

Note: Some of the tasks for which the District Youth Commissioner is responsible may be delegated to others in the District.

District Youth Commissioner – All about you checklist

Are you?	
Aged 18 – 25 years old?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Can you?	
Work with young people and adults	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lead and motivate teams	<input type="checkbox"/>
Communicate well (including presenting and facilitating)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Take on responsibility and meet deadlines	<input type="checkbox"/>
Accept the policies, rules of The Scouts and Scouting fundamentals	<input type="checkbox"/>
Become a member of the Scouts (if not already), take the Promise and wear Uniform	<input type="checkbox"/>
Promote and implement our youth-shaped strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>

What's not essential
Do you have some previous experience of Scouting? Great, but it's not a problem if you don't. A passion for working with and on behalf of young people is the most important thing here.