

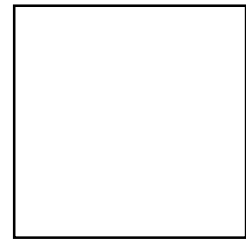


All information on this form is confidential

SIF 1 (July 2005)

# Scouting Ireland Adult Membership Application

This application form must be fully completed and be accompanied by the following:-



Ref No. \_\_\_\_\_  
ID card issued \_\_\_\_\_

- 2 - Adult Volunteer Reference Forms (SIF 1a)
- 2 - Passport Photographs
- POC clearance form where applicable

Scouter  Associate Member

Group Name and number	Group Leader's name
Scout County	Scout County Commissioner

### Applicant details

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Name	Date of birth
Address	Previous names
	Phone (Home)
	Phone (Work)
	Mobile phone
Previous address	E-mail

### Referees

Two referees are required. Suitable responsible people might be Teacher, Clergy, Garda/Police, Peace Commissioner, Employer, Scouter. **However only one referee can be a Scouter.** Each referee should be aware that they are referees and will be contacted in the future. Both completed Reference Forms should accompany this form.

I nominate the following referees:-

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Reference 1 (suitable responsible person )	Reference 2 (suitable responsible person)
Name	Name
Address	Address
Phone	Phone
Position	Position

POC clearance form attached  (for applicants resident in Northern Ireland only)

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### Previous experience

Were you previously a member of a Scouting or Guiding Association      Yes       No

Were you, or are you, a member of any other Youth Organisation?      Yes       No

If 'YES' give details of membership and reasons for leaving (including Contact Person)

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Please state any other information that you feel we need to know about you which may affect this application

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**Declaration for Scouters**

I have discussed my role in Scouting with my Group Leader/Commissioner and understand the responsibility and commitment required of a Leader of young people. I have begun the formal induction process and agree to fulfil my commitment to further training in the future as required by the rules of the Association. I accept the Scout Promise.

I confirm that nothing in my background deems me unsuitable to work with young people and that the information contained in this form is correct. I have read and understand the Code of Good Practice, and I understand the need for formal checks and references to verify my suitability. I agree that this information may be verified by Scouting Ireland to ensure that it complies with the Constitution and Rules of the Association. I now wish to become a member of Scouting Ireland.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**Declaration for Associate Membership**

I wish to become a Associate member of Scouting Ireland and I agree to abide by the Constitution and Rules of the Association.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**Approvals**

**Tick appropriate level of application**

Group

County

Provincial

National

I confirm that this applicant (where appropriate) has begun the induction process and has been briefed on his/her role as an Adult in Scouting. I have received and verified Reference Forms with both referees listed in Section 2. I am satisfied with their recommendations. I believe the applicant to be a person of good standing and nominate this person for membership of Scouting Ireland.

I have notified the Scout County Commissioner of this application

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Rank \_\_\_\_\_

# Application for Adult Membership - Guide to completing form.

This form is completed by all adults (over 18 years of age) who wish to be members of Scouting Ireland. There are two categories of membership available - Scouter membership and Associate membership

**The Association seeks your personal information on this form, with the express interest of protecting young people within Scouting. Our prudent approach includes the induction process, course and interview, and the declaration and details contained within this form. This is the first step of the process. You will work in a Programme Section and gain experience first hand over the next 6 months. When you have completed the required training your Scouter Appointment may be granted by your County Commissioner.**

**All information supplied to us on this form is confidential and will be used for no purposes other than determining your suitability to work with young people.**

## Scouter membership

A Scouter is a member of Scouting Ireland, other than a Scout, who has made the Scout Promise. **(Article 18)**

To be eligible for an Appointment working directly with young people, you must be a Scouter.

**Sections 1,2,3,4,5, and 7 must be completed.**

**Scouter applicants should complete the following:-**

- Attend a formal induction course
- Discuss your role in Scouting and the responsibility and commitment of youth leadership with your Group Leader/Commissioner (as appropriate in accordance with the Rules of the Association).
- Read and be familiar with the issues and practices contained within the Code of Good Practice.

## Associate Membership

An Associate member is a member of Scouting Ireland who has not made the Scout Promise **(Article 19)**

Associate members are adults working in a supportive role at Group/County/Provincial level who have no unsupervised access to young people.

**Associate members need to fill in section 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 of the application form and seek the appropriate approval in section 7.**

## Explanation of information requested

### Passport Photographs

Two passport size photographs need to be included. One is a photographic reference and the other is used on the Adult Member I.D. card.

### Previous Names

This item is included so that we can make checks ( if necessary ) on previous experience. ( e.g. maiden name)

### Time in Residence

If you have lived in your present address for less than 3 years you should supply a previous address so that checks can be followed up if necessary.

### Referees

Two referees are required.

Suitable responsible people might be Teacher, Clergy, Garda/Police, Peace Commissioner, Employer, Scouter. (Applicant should seek their consent before nominating them)

**However only one referee can be a Scouter.**

Each referee should be aware that they are referees and will be contacted in the future. Both completed Reference Forms should accompany this form.

### POC Form

Adults who reside in the Northern Ireland are required by law to undergo a POC assessment before they can work with young people. This process will be explained by your Group Leader/Commissioner. The POC clearance form should be attached to this form.(Application form from SFNI or POC website)

The Republic of Ireland do not have a formal clearance mechanism such as the POC and therefore must ask applicants to agree to checks being undertaken by the Association to determine suitability. Scouting Ireland support the creation of such an authority, in the Republic of Ireland and when created will require applicants to undergo any such checks.

### Section 3/4 Additional information

Sections 3 and 4 provide additional information to support your application. Include here any information you feel is relevant.

### Previous experience

This section enables us to discover how you have worked with others in the past.

### Declaration

All applicants are required to sign the relevant declaration and understand that formal checks and references will be undertaken. At present, applicants in the Northern Ireland require a POC Clearance Form.

### Approvals

In accordance with the Constitution and Rules of the Association the form must be signed by appropriate officers: Group Leader, County Commissioner, Provincial Commissioner, or National Secretary.

# The journey to Adult Membership

## Process

Adult is interested in getting involved in Scouting.

The adult discusses their possible role in Scouting with the Group Leader and completes the Adult Membership Application Form

Group Leader informs Scout County Commissioner and must check references

The adult familiarises themselves with Scouting and may only have contact with young members if supervised by a Scouter

Group Leader and applicant discuss commitment.  
Application form is forwarded directly to National Office in Larch Hill within 4 weeks of introduction.

Adult Member will receive acknowledgement from National Office

Adult attends formal training courses as required by the procedures of the Association.

When required training is completed and suitability determined. The Adult is then issued with an ID membership card

## Training Commitment

**Welcome to Scouting**  
Induction Training

**Basic Course**  
Scout Fundamentals  
Scout Essentials



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