



Assistance Scheme for Needy Student Members' Training (subsidized by Home Affairs Bureau)

This circular supersedes Administration Circular No. 24/2019 dated 15 June 2019.

1. Introduction

Home Affairs Bureau carries out the scheme to subsidize students from disadvantaged families to participate in uniformed groups' activities. Through the Scheme, Scout members participating in local training courses and activities organized by Districts, Regions, Leadership Training Institute or Branches of the Association may receive subsidy.

2. Eligibility

- 2.1 Member of Cub Scout, Scout, Venture Scout or Rover Scout sections with valid membership record books and;
- 2.2 Receiving of Comprehensive Social Security Assistance (CSSA), or full/half grant under the Student Financial Assistance Scheme (SFAS), or 50% or above level of assistance from The Tertiary Student Finance Scheme (TSFS)/ Non-means-tested Loan Scheme for Full-time Tertiary Students (NLSFT); or under other special financial difficulties.

(Scout members from needy family who are ineligible for this Scheme shall be subsidized by the Association.)

3. Subsidized Items

Scout members will be fully subsidized to participate in Scout training courses (including progressive badges training course) and activities (such as Golden Bauhinia Award Assessment Day / Camp), organized by Districts, Regions, Leadership Training Institute or Branches of the Association.

4. Application Procedures

- 4.1 Application Form for "Assistance Scheme for Needy Student Members' Training (subsidized by Home Affairs Bureau)" can be downloaded by the QR code below or from the Association's website (<http://www.scout.org.hk> → Useful Information → Scout Subsidy Schemes) or obtained from Administration Branch.
- 4.2 Completed Application Form together with related training course / activity application forms should be submitted to respective training course / activity organizer.
- 4.3 Please note that:
 - i. for Scout members aged under 18, applications shall be made by their parents / guardians;
 - ii. for Scout members aged 18 or above, they may apply by themselves;
 - iii. applicants have to clearly fill in the details of the training courses / activities in the Application Forms;
 - iv. applications have to be recommended by respective Group Scout Leaders or Sectional Scout Leaders;

- v. the Scheme's Application Forms must be submitted together with training course / activity application forms to the organizers;
 - vi. applicants are not required to pay the training courses / activities fees at the time of submission of the training courses / activities application forms. The required fees will be directly paid by the Association to related units; and
 - vii. same training course / activity under the same Scout section can only be applied once.
- 4.4 The Association reserves the right of making the final decision of approving the application or not without providing any reasons.

5. Use of Personal Data

- 5.1 The personal data provided in the Application Form will be used for processing and assessment of the application.
- 5.2 The Application Form will be destroyed one year after the end of the subsidy year.

6. Enquiry

Administration Branch (Tel: 2957 6305)



Application form

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for Chief Commissioner