



World Scout Jamboree 2019 - Information and Criteria for Leaders

The 24th World Scout Jamboree will be an adventure beyond anything you can imagine. It is to be hosted jointly between Boy Scouts of America, Scouts Canada and the Scout Association of Mexico.

The UK Contingent will be made up of participants, their Unit Leaders, International Service Team and a Contingent Management and Support Team (UK Contingent Team). The successful North West England team will be joining a team with a Scout group from Merseyside and two other groups who are to be confirmed shortly.

Where and when is it?

The 24th World Scout Jamboree (WSJ) is being held at The Summit Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve in West Virginia, USA, between 22 July and 2 August 2019. The group will be abroad for a total of up to 3 weeks. The WSJ is a gathering of tens of thousands of Guiding members and Scouts from almost every country in the world who, for ten days live together, experience each others cultures, take part in exciting activities and have an amazing adventure. 3,500 Guiding members and Scouts from across the UK will be joining this unique and special event.

How much will it cost?

The cost for the jamboree and the planning and preparation events is still be confirmed - due mid-October. The payments will be in stages with the first £400 due this November.

Essential criteria for Leaders applying

- Must be 18+ at the time of the trip
- Strong camping skills and experience
- Residential qualification
- Prepared to commit a large amount of time for the preparation of the group over the next 2 years
- Regular experience of working with girls aged 12 - 18
- Interest in international guiding
- Have attended a large international event at home or abroad before
- Ability to work in a team
- Excellent communication skills
- Strong commitment to guiding
- Be mentally and physically fit to cope with heat and high humidity
- Able to work alongside a team of Scout leaders
- Able to cope with 3 weeks away from home
- Open to new experiences and challenges
- Able to cope with a couple of days of home hospitality with an American family
- Prepared to fundraise the required money

If you fit all the above criteria, please complete the application form and send it electronically to northwesthq@girlguidingnwe.org.uk by **Monday 31 July at the latest**.

After reviewing all the applications, a small number of applicants will be invited to meet with the Region International Adviser team on 2nd September at Girlguiding North West England HQ, Guiding Road, Preston, PR2 5PD. Please pencil this date into your diary, as all successful applicants will be required to attend.

For more information about WSJ 2019, visit www.scouts.org.uk/wsj