



Dear North Area leaders,

Please read carefully the changes wrought in view of the extraordinary situation currently. This will take effect for the year of 2022 and applies to cub scouts applying for the Akela Award in 2022.

## AKELA LEVEL CRITERIA REDUCTION:

### **OUTDOOR CHALLENGE: PICK AT LEAST 2**

S/N	ACTIVITY NAME	INITIAL CRITERIA <i>AS PER CUB SCOUT RECORD BOOK</i>	SUGGESTED CRITERIA REDUCTION	REMARKS
1.	CAMPING	1. Spend at least 3 nights under a tent	Activity to be Taken Out	Criteria to be Removed
2.	HIKING	1. Hike on foot for at least 10km.	Activity to be Taken Out	Criteria to be Removed
3.	COOKING	1. Cook a simple meal outdoors using natural fuel.	Cook a simple meal at home	Criteria amended
4.	OBSTACLES	1. Take part in a wide game, a standard obstacle course or Challenge Valley	Plan an outdoor game	Criteria amended
5.	SHELTER	1. Set up a Basha (shelter) and sleep under it for a night.	Make a make-shift shelter at home or school compound	Criteria amended

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6.	ORIENTEERING (Can be replaced by Explorer Badge)	1. Complete a simple orienteering course or challenge	Plan a simple orienteering (using google maps, runkeeper, mapometer app) course or challenge / Plan a 10 km hike using online resources.	Criteria amended
7.	SWIMMING	1. Wade or swim across a stream or river wearing a life vest or swim across the breadth of a swimming pool.	Activity to be Taken Out	Criteria to be Removed
8.	OVER TO YOU	1. Complete any indoor activity suitable for cubs agreed with Akela	No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria

S/N	ACTIVITY NAME	INITIAL CRITERIA <i>AS PER CUB SCOUT RECORD BOOK</i>	SUGGESTED CRITERIA REDUCTION	REMARKS
1.	<b><u>ADVENTURE CHALLENGE</u></b>	1. Complete 2 outdoor activities with other cub scouts.	Activity to be Taken Out	Criteria to be Removed
2.	<b><u>SHARING TOGETHER</u></b>	1. Take part in three Sixer Council meetings or with leaders to discuss and share ideas to plan for a future Pack meeting or event	Can opt instead to take part in 2 video conference meetings with leaders to discuss ideas to plan for online Pack meetings or events.	Criteria amended

**HELPING TO LEAD: Choose 2**

S/N	ACTIVITY NAME	INITIAL CRITERIA <i>AS PER CUB SCOUT RECORD BOOK</i>	SUGGESTED CRITERIA REDUCTION	REMARKS
1.	TEAM CAPTAIN	2. Act as a key player or captain for a school sports team or any other competitive team of your choice.	No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria
2.	DISTRICT / AREA / NATIONAL	1. Represent your Pack at a District, Area or National Competition, quiz or any other suitable event as directed by Akela.	No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria
3.	GANGSHOW	1. Take part in a Cub Scout Pack or Gangshow either on stage or backstage.	(Either Unit or otherwise) Gangshow can be done online via Tiktok or Zoom or any other means.	Criteria amended
4.	CUB SCOUT PACK EXCHANGE	1. Visit another Pack or play hosts to another Pack or Cub Scout and tell them about your pack; then assist to run a game during the meeting.	Hold an online conferencing with another Cub Scout and tell them about your pack; play a game with him/her.	Criteria amended
5.	ACT OF WORSHIP	1. Plan and carry out an Act of Worship, a Scout's Own Service or an inter-religious memorial for an event	Plan and execute an Act of Worship via online platforms eg. Zoom, a Scout's Own Service with the assistance of	Criteria amended

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			Akela or any trusted adult.	
6.	CONSERVATION	1. Plan and carry out a local conservation project.	Plan a local conservation project.	Criteria amended
7.	GAMES	1. Organize and run some games for a Pack Meeting or any other event.	Plan some games for a Pack Meeting or any other event.	Criteria amended
8.	OVER TO YOU	1. Play a leading part in any other Pack activity agreed with Akela.	Plan a pack activity agreed with Akela.	Criteria amended

### **SKILLS AND INTEREST PROFICIENCY**

Complete First Aid Proficiency – Refer To Annex F

(Contact your Area Team personnel for assistance if you have difficulties completing this proficiency)

and **at least six other interest or skill proficiency badges**

Suggested skill proficiencies (all can be done on their own)

1. Artist
2. Astronomer
3. Book Reader
4. Collector
5. Hobbist
6. Linguist

**REVISION OF CUB SCOUT PROGRESS SCHEME****GOLD ARROW PROGRESS BADGE****CRITERIA REDUCTION DUE TO COVID-19 SITUATION**

*Criteria Highlighted in YELLOW has been suggested to be amended.*

*Criteria in the ORANGE font has been suggested to be revised*

*Criteria in the RED font has been suggested to be Taken Out*

**OUTDOOR SCOUTING**

*Complete any 2 Activities*

S/N	ACTIVITY NAME	INITIAL CRITERIA AS PER CUB SCOUT RECORD BOOK	SUGGESTED CRITERIA REDUCTION	REMARKS
1.	Map & Compass	1. Use a Map to plan a journey or a hike. 2. Use a compass and one other method to find the North in an outdoor environment	1. Use a Google Map to plan a 5km journey or a hike. 2. Explain the usage of a compass and know one other method to find the North in an outdoor environment	Criteria Amended
2.	Hiking	1. Make a list or infographic of the safety precaution to take when going for a hike outside of your school. 2. Help your leader plan and carry out a hike and activity at a Park for your Six or Pack.	1. Activity to be Taken Out	Criteria to be Removed
3.	Knotting	1. Learn how to tie at least three knots which are new to you and state their use. 2. Use the knots you have learnt in an	1. Learn how to tie at least three knots which are new to you and state their use	Criteria Amended

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		activity, preferably outdoors.		
4.	Outdoor Cooking	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Make a list or infographic of how to light a fire using dried twigs and/or firewood safely.</li> <li>2. Boil a mess-tin of water or fry an egg with a pan using wood fire.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Activity to be Taken Out</li> <li>2. Fry an egg with adult supervision</li> </ol>	1. Criteria to be Removed
5.	Camp Craft	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Design and draw at least 3 camp gadgets that could be used in camp.</li> <li>2. Make one of these gadgets and use it for camp</li> </ol>	1. Design and draw at least 3 camp gadgets that could be used in camp.	Criteria Revised

## **SPORTS & HOBBIES**

*Complete ALL Activities*

S/N	ACTIVITY NAME	INITIAL CRITERIA AS PER CUB SCOUT RECORD BOOK	SUGGESTED CRITERIA REDUCTION	REMARKS
1.	Sports & Hobbies 1	1. Make a 5 min slideshow or “show and tell” presentation to tell your leader and Six about one of the hobbies or sports you regularly engage in. Explain what inspired and led you to the hobby or sport and what you have done recently to improve or develop it.	1. No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria

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2.	Sports & Hobbies 2	1. Try a hobby or sport, which is new to you, and write an explanation on how you plan to improve or develop it.	1. No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria
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### **HELPING OTHERS**

*Complete any 1 Activity*

S/N	ACTIVITY NAME	INITIAL CRITERIA <i>AS PER CUB SCOUT RECORD BOOK</i>	SUGGESTED CRITERIA REDUCTION	REMARKS
1.	First Aid	1. Make an infographic of how to stop bleeding by using direct pressure 2. Demonstrate 2 uses of a triangular bandage	1. Make an infographic of how to stop bleeding by using direct pressure 2. Demonstrate 2 uses of a triangular bandage via online platforms or otherwise	Criteria Amended
2.	Water Safety	1. Demonstrate at least 1 method of helping someone who has fallen into a swimming pool or canal. 2. Make a list or infographic of at least 3 safety rules when swimming in the sea.	1. Explain at least 1 method of helping someone who has fallen into a swimming pool or canal. 2. Make a list or infographic of at least 3 safety rules when swimming in the sea.	Criteria Amended

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3.	Home Safety	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Make a list or infographic of how to prevent crime in the home.</li> <li>2. Teach others about how to make an emergency call in a home emergency or when witnessing a crime in your neighbourhood by making a poster, writing and acting a skit or making up a game.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Make a list or infographic of how to prevent crime in the home.</li> <li>2. Teach others about how to make an emergency call via SGsecure during an emergency or when witnessing a crime in your neighbourhood</li> </ol>	Criteria Reduced
4.	Special Good Turns	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Lead your Six in carrying out a special good turn for someone who needs help. This should take up extra time and effort by your Six.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Carrying out a special good turn for someone who needs help.</li> </ol>	Criteria Reduced
5.	Helping Akela	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Do something special to help Akela during a pack meeting or activity on at least 2 separate occasions.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Activity to be Taken Out</li> </ol>	Criteria to be Taken Out



**LOOKING AFTER MYSELF***Complete any 1 Activity*

S/N	ACTIVITY NAME	INITIAL CRITERIA <i>AS PER CUB SCOUT RECORD BOOK</i>	SUGGESTED CRITERIA REDUCTION	REMARKS
1.	Keeping Healthy	1. Make a list or infographic of at least 2 good habits on personal hygiene and cleanliness.	1. No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria
2.	Keeping Fit	1. Make a list or infographic of how to keep yourself fit and what bad habits can damage your health.	1. No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria
3.	Good Food	1. Make a list or infographic of at least 2 types of foods that are good for you and the dangers of poor diet.	1. No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria
4.	Road Safety (can be replaced by Road Safety Badge)	1. Identify at least 10 traffic signs correctly and make a list or infographic of how to cycle safely on the road.	1. Identify at least 10 traffic signs correctly and make a list or infographic on possible road hazards	Criteria reduced

**SCIENCE & NATURE***Complete any 1 Activity*

S/N	ACTIVITY NAME	INITIAL CRITERIA <i>AS PER CUB SCOUT RECORD BOOK</i>	SUGGESTED CRITERIA REDUCTION	REMARKS
1.	Weather Station	1. Set up a homemade weather station with at least 3 different instruments and use it to record the weather for 2 weeks.	1. No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria
2.	Maintenance	1. Help an adult with the routine maintenance of a bicycle, car, or any other machinery.	1. No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria
3.	Construction Kit (can be replaced by Craftsman Badge)	1. Build a model with a construction kit of any type and explain how the model works.	1. No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria
4.	Technical Equipment	1. Draw and label the parts of a computer, video camera or any other type of technical equipment and show that you know how to work its main features.	1. No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria
5.	Survey	1. Conduct a hedge, pond, stream or energy consumption survey and report your findings to your Six or Pack	1. Activity to be Taken Out	Criteria to be Removed

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6.	Conservation Project	1. Plan and execute a project that helps improve the environment	1. Plan or improve a project that helps improve the environment	Criteria to be amended
7.	Wildlife In Danger	1. Find out and display some information on the Pack notice board, your personal blog or Pack Blog about the habitat and needs of an endangered species and how they can be protected. Include the URL of the specific display	1. Find out and display some information in the logbook about the habitat and needs of an endangered species and how they can be protected. Include the URL of the specific display	Criteria to be amended
8.	Animal Feeder (can be replaced by Bird Watcher Badge)	1. Make a bird feeder or table and feed birds regularly with suitable foods OR make a suitable shelter for an animal and feed it with suitable food. Remember to take photos to record the animals what you have prepared for them	1. No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria
9.	Adopt a Plot (can be replaced by Gardener Badge)	1. Improve and maintain a part of a garden or plot of land for 3 weeks.	1. Can be hydroponics or take care of plants	Criteria amended

**CREATIVITY***Complete any 1 Activity*

<b>S/N</b>	<b>ACTIVITY NAME</b>	<b>INITIAL CRITERIA <i>AS PER CUB SCOUT RECORD BOOK</i></b>	<b>SUGGESTED CRITERIA REDUCTION</b>	<b>REMARKS</b>
1.	Acting	1. Contribute to and take part in a sketch or mime	1. No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria
2.	Music	1. Take part in a performance by singing, playing a musical instrument or dancing.	1. No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria
3.	Puppets	1. Contribute to, or take part in a puppet or shadow play	1. No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria
4.	Reporters	1. Contribute a story, report, poem or picture to a Group or local newsletter.	1. No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria
5.	Painting and Drawing	1. Paint or Draw some pictures or create a comic strip or series of cartoons	1. No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria
6.	Taking Pictures	1. Create an album of photographs or slideshow of digital picture or contribute to a video clip or film and show it to others.	1. No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria
7.	Craft	1. Make something using a craft method which is new to you, or make a model or kit to a good standard.	1. No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria

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8.	Over to You (can be replaced by Entertainment or Musician or Craftsman Badge)	1. Take part in any other form of entertainment or handcraft as agreed with the Leader	1. No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria
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### **MY COMMUNITY**

*Complete any 1 Activity*

S/N	ACTIVITY NAME	INITIAL CRITERIA <i>AS PER CUB SCOUT RECORD BOOK</i>	SUGGESTED CRITERIA REDUCTION	REMARKS
1.	Community Help	1. Do something to help a local hospital, place of worship , nursing home or children's home or the disabled OR help plan and take part in a project to improve the surroundings in your area	1. Plan or improve on a project to improve the surroundings in your area	Criteria Reduced
2.	Community Groups	1. Take part in a local activity or event organised by a group outside Scouting	1. Activity to be Taken Out	Criteria to be Taken Out
3.	People Who Help	1. Meet or visit someone in your area who helps the community and discuss with your Akela regarding their contributions to the Community	1. Activity to be Taken Out	Criteria to be Taken Out

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4.	Local Charity	1. Find out something about a local or national charity and think up of ideas of how you can help them. Send them a copy of your ideas and suggestions,	1. Research on a new local or national youth charity or initiatives and think up of ideas of how you can help them.	Criteria Amended
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## **OTHER COUNTRIES AND CULTURES**

*Complete any 1 Activity*

S/N	ACTIVITY NAME	INITIAL CRITERIA <i>AS PER CUB SCOUT RECORD BOOK</i>	SUGGESTED CRITERIA REDUCTION	REMARKS
1.	International Meeting	1. Help organise a Pack Meeting to show what life is like in another country	1. Research on what life is like in another country	Criteria Amended
2.	International Organisation	1. Find out about an organisation that helps people in other countries and list at least 2 contributions this organisation has provided	1. No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria
3.	International Scouting	1. Find out about Scouting in some other countries and make contact with at least 2 Scouts from abroad or participate in JOTA/JOTI	1. No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria

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4.	Other People's Culture	1. Find out something about the traditions, customs and religions of a culture other than your own.	1. No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria
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### **MY SCOUT PROMISE**

*Complete ALL Activities*

S/N	ACTIVITY NAME	INITIAL CRITERIA <i>AS PER CUB SCOUT RECORD BOOK</i>	SUGGESTED CRITERIA REDUCTION	REMARKS
1.	My Scout Promise 1	1. Make up a prayer or reflection about a Pack activity or meeting in which you are taking part and share it with others or contribute and take part in Scout's Own Service	1. No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria
2.	My Scout Promise 2	1. When you have completed most of the activities for this award, talk to your Akela about them and how you have tried to put your Scout Promise and Law into practice in everything you have done	1. No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria

## **MY SCOUT FAMILY**

*Complete ALL activities*

<b>S/N</b>	<b>ACTIVITY NAME</b>	<b>INITIAL CRITERIA AS PER CUB SCOUT RECORD BOOK</b>	<b>SUGGESTED CRITERIA REDUCTION</b>	<b>REMARKS</b>
1.	My Scout Family 1	1. Find out and discuss with your Leader how the Patrol System works in the unit and how you can gain one of the Scout Progress Badge	1. No change to initial criteria	No change to initial criteria
2.	My Scout Family 2	1. Take part in an activity with some Scouts 2. Complete 2 more activities from any of the above sections	1. Complete 2 more activities from any of the above sections	Criteria Reduced

## **ALL ROUNDER SKILL PROFICIENCY**

*Attain 2 Proficiency Badges of your choice that can be completed indoors*

Suggested skill proficiencies (all can be done on their own)

1. Artist
2. Book Reader