



## Scottish Chief Commissioner's Thistle award

This award is for Girlguiding Scotland members (up to their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday) who have demonstrated outstanding bravery, overcome personal challenges or were responsible during a specific incident.

### How to make an application

An application must:

- Be submitted without the knowledge of the nominee or their family
- Include a fully completed awards application form and a copy of the member's GO report
- Include a minimum of 4 letters of support from appropriate Girlguiding and/or non-Girlguiding people (two of these may be in the format of a completed application template)

### Letters of support

Remember that the award committee can only base its decision on the content of the letters of support. These letters should:

- Give clear reasons for making the application
- Include supporting evidence where relevant (for example, eye witness accounts, photo, newspaper reports)
- Describe the nominee's current involvement in Girlguiding

### The application process

An application for this award may be made by any member of Girlguiding Scotland and the nomination needs to be discussed with the relevant commissioner.

Completed applications for the Scottish Chief Commissioner's Thistle award should be submitted to [reception@girlguiding-scot.org.uk](mailto:reception@girlguiding-scot.org.uk) in the first instance. Applications will be passed to the awards committee which meets twice a year.



## Scottish Chief Commissioner's award

An award for Girlguiding Scotland members (after their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday) who have made an outstanding contribution to Scottish guiding; for meritorious conduct or for outstanding service in the face of adversity.

### How to make an application

An application must:

- Be submitted without the knowledge of the nominee or their family
- Include a fully completed awards application form and a copy of the member's GO report
- Include a minimum of 4 letters of support from appropriate Girlguiding and/or non-Girlguiding people (two of these may be in the format of a completed application template)

### Letters of support

Remember that the awards committee can only base its decision on the content of the letters of support. These letters should:

- Give clear reasons for making the application.
- Highlight the nominee's character and personality, enthusiasm, abilities and qualities that make her 'shine' and stand out from her fellow volunteers
- Mention her impact on Girlguiding in the unit, district, division, county or the wider community
- Include details of specific events or incidents that make the leader stand out as exceptional
- If possible, include details of any special achievements, out of the usual range of events that have benefitted Girlguiding

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## Application for a Girlguiding Scotland award

### Part 1 - nominee details

Name:
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Membership number:
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### Part 2 - award type

**Scottish Chief Commissioner's Thistle award**

This award may be given to any member of Girlguiding Scotland (up to their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday) who has demonstrated outstanding bravery or overcome personal challenges or been responsible during a specific incident.

**Scottish Chief Commissioner's award**

This award may be given to any member or non-member of Girlguiding Scotland over the age of 18. The Scottish Chief Commissioner's Award is given in recognition of outstanding contribution, outstanding service or meritorious conduct.

### Part 3 - Supporting information

**Nominated by:**

Name:	Membership number:
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**Details of a local commissioner (district, division or county) who supports this application:**

Name:	Membership number:
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**County commissioner (please ensure that the county commissioner is aware of this application):**

Name:	Membership number:
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**Approved by the chair of the awards committee**

<b>Signed:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
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