THE HISTORIC TRAILS PROGRAM



No. 4408

Love of America and devotion to our country depend upon a thorough appreciation of the ideals, principles, and traditions that have made our country strong. Historic Trails Award requirements emphasize cooperation between historical societies

and Scout and Explorer units. A unit should establish a close relationship with a local society as soon as possible when planning a historical activity — most communities have such societies.

Reports from many units indicate that these societies have been eager to offer their cooperation by:

- suggesting trails or sites that are suitable for unit historical activities and exploration
- providing units with historical information about the trails or sites
- offering guidance to units during restoration and marking projects
- financing the cost of materials used by units for restoration and marking projects
- staging historical pageants and ceremonies with unit participation
- directing public attention to unit historical activities through newspapers, television, and radio

If the trip is more than 250 miles from homes of group members (local council camp excepted) or crosses national boundaries and into the territory of other nations, a National Tour Permit Application, No. 4419, is necessary. For trips and overnight camps less than 250 miles, use a Local Tour Permit Application, No. 4426.

Award Requirements

To earn the award, members of your unit must plan and participate in a historical activity. A unit historical activity requires members to—

- O Locate a historic trail or site and study information relating to it. (The information may be obtained from an adult historical society, public library, or people living near the trail or site.)
- Hike or camp 2 days and 1 night along the trail or in the vicinity of the site.
- 3. Cooperate with an adult group such as a historical society to restore and mark all or part of this trail or site. (This may be done during the hike or overnight camp.) Or cooperate with such a group to plan and stage a historical pageant, ceremony, or other public event related to this trail or site—such event should be large enough to merit coverage by the local press.
- Your unit leader must then file the Historic Trails
 Award application with your council office.

through newspapers, television, and radio		Award application with your council office.	
D	etach and send report below to	your local council office	
HISTORIC TRAILS AWARD APPLICATION		The state of the s	Tour Permit No
Note: Only chartered units may loes not apply if any other a	apply for this award. This awar ward is available for this trip.	j	ocal Council Action
To: Local Council Only (Do	not send to national office.)	Approved_	Disapproved
. Name of historic trail or site	covered		
From	to	(Give state and nearest	town.) _(2 days and 1 night required)
(Date)		(Date)	
. Type of historical observance	e, pageant, dedication, etc., in v	which unit participated	
	(Norr: Unit must have done ei	ther activity above.) ich the unit cooperated	in this event
. Total number of boys and lea	ders eligible for the Historic Tra		
. Enter our order for	Decals, No. 347	7, at 5 cents each \$.	
	Leather awards, No. 244	, at 30 cents each .	
be attached to Scout equip	not worn on uniforms but may ment such as tents, packs, blam- on canoes, paddles, or plaques.)		
Check or 1	money order should accompan	y all mail orders. \$.	
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Application for Historic Trails or 5	0-Miler Award 40M471	(Address)	(Phone)
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