



## Training News

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Let us know if you are running any training weekends and, if we have space, we can add it to Training eNews

## Module Reviews

### Ongoing safety e-learning update

The development of e-learning for the ongoing safety training is still on track to be delivered at the end of April. It is being developed to be accessible on mobile devices as well as on PCs. We will be contacting Training Managers in May as soon as it is available to let you know how it can be accessed. For more information please see the FAQ document [here](#).

### Update on the review of Module 11 and 20

The review of Modules 11 and 20, the administration modules, is almost complete. Due to the similarity in content for both modules, and following feedback from the review group, the two modules have been merged together into Module 11: *Administration*. This means that Module 20 will no longer exist in the Adult Training Scheme. The completed Word version of the trainers' notes will be available at the end of April. Please contact us if you would like a copy of this when it is available (noting that some small changes may be made during design).

## General Updates

### Adult Training for 17 year olds

We have recently had some questions about whether under 18's can take part in Adult Training. Our advice is that this could be beneficial for 17 year olds who intend to take up an adult appointment when they turn 18. You should always give priority to adults who are already in an adult role, but if you do have space on a training session or course then there is no reason why you shouldn't invite 17 year olds who are intending to take on an appointment. They will be able to complete the learning for modules, but will not be able to validate them until they are in their adult role.

17 year olds who have completed the Young Leader's scheme could be particularly encouraged to do this, taking into account the guidance in [factsheet 330094](#) on recognising the prior learning of Young Leaders.

Where 17 year olds are attending adult training sessions, it is important to remember to follow the advice given in the [Yellow Card \(Young People First\)](#) and the [InTouch](#) guidelines. If the course is residential, then nights away procedures should be followed or arrangements made for young people to attend only during the day. It is also good practice to ensure that training times and locations are accessible to 17 year olds, and that any key terms and jargon are fully explained.

If you have any questions or require more information on this change, please contact [adult.support@scouts.org.uk](mailto:adult.support@scouts.org.uk).

## General updates

- [The Revised Fundamentals](#)
- [National Volunteer Vacancies](#)
- [Young Leader external recognition](#)
- [Executive Committee update](#)
- [Beaver Leader residential training](#)
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## Training Adviser Communication

Later this year, a version of eNews will start going out to Training Advisers, containing news, updates and features relevant to those in this role. To ensure that your TAs receive the eNews, please make sure that they are recorded on the online membership database.

## Resource Updates

### Thinking differently about volunteering

A new training session lasting just over an hour has been developed to help adult volunteers better understand flexible volunteering within The Scout Association. The objectives are for participants to be able to:

1. Recognise the need for volunteering to be flexible.
2. Describe the different ways in which volunteering opportunities can be tailored to meet individual needs.
3. Provide and support more flexible and attractive volunteering opportunities.

The Trainer's Notes can be found on Member Resources (under 'Other Modules' in the Training section) [here](#). There are four accompanying videos which can be found on the Brand Centre in the Video Library ([www.scouts.org.uk/video](http://www.scouts.org.uk/video)).

It is intended that this could be run as a workshop as part of a development day or conference, or as a standalone session if required. If you or someone in your team delivers this training, please do let us know if you have any feedback that would improve it for the future.

### OCN Resources

The Scout Association offers two Open College Network (OCN) awards which are both at level 2. These are Providing Voluntary Youth Services (aimed at Section Leaders and Section Supporters) and Managing Voluntary Youth Services (aimed at Managers and Supporters).

The resources available to support these OCN awards have just been updated. This includes the following:

- FS500015 Guide to the Open College Network
- OCN Process Chart
- OCN Process Information
- Training Adviser Guidance for OCN

The updated versions of each of these documents are now available on the external recognition pages of Member Resources [here](#).

## Research

### Tell us about your Training Advisers

We are currently looking at the Training Advisor role and how it is used locally, promoted and supported. A key part of the work is to consult with Training Managers to find out about their TAs and the existing good practice that is in place locally.

Do you have any examples of TAs in your area who approach their role in a new way, do something differently or is a good stereotype buster for how TAs may be perceived? If so please email [adult.support@scouts.org.uk](mailto:adult.support@scouts.org.uk) to share your examples.

## Updated factsheets:

[FS330062](#) Role Description for a Troop Assistant is now [FS330062 Role Description for a Section Assistant](#)

[FS500015](#) Guide to the Open College Network

## Discontinued factsheets:

A new Role Description for Section Assistants has been released, which is suitable for all volunteers working with Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers. The following have therefore been discontinued:

[FS330052](#) Role Description for a Unit Assistant

[FS330056](#) Role Description for a Colony Assistant

[FS330059](#) Role Description for a Pack Assistant

## Now online – content to replace the following is now available on Member Resources:

FS250011 Epilepsy – information on Epilepsy can now be found [here](#).

## FAQs

### Updated Fundamentals

We are aware that the e-learning and resources for both Modules 1 and 5 still reflect the old Fundamentals. This is something that is a high priority to review and update and we will be doing so as soon as is absolutely possible.

We understand that in the meantime this may cause some confusion for trainers who are delivering these modules. We would therefore ask that in the interim, trainers filter the new messages into these courses where possible.

More information on the revised Fundamentals can be found [here](#).

### I can't load e-learning

There are several reasons why the e-learning may not be loading. These may include:

1. Google chrome browsers. When the e-learning was designed this browser was still in its beta phase, so it wasn't built to be compatible. You will need to use Internet Explorer, Firefox or another suitable browser.
2. Broadband speed. The e-learning contains a variety of media so if you are trying to load it on a slow broadband speed it may take longer for the program to start.

## Courses

### Full - BRC Trainer Training, June 2013

The British Red Cross practical first aid trainer training course that is taking place at Gilwell Park 3 - 6 June 2013 is now fully booked.

We will be running the course again at a similar time in 2014. We are not yet taking bookings for this course, but please keep an eye out in future issues of eNews for further information.

### Cancelation - Managing Scouting (MSS10), May 2013

Unfortunately, the Managing Scouting course that was due to take place between 11 - 18 May 2013 has been cancelled due to a lack of participant take-up.

We are planning on running some management skills weekends later in the year, so please keep an eye out for more information and dates.

### Safeguarding Awareness Training

New dates for Safeguarding Awareness training have been planned up until the end of 2014.

The safeguarding team are encouraging anyone who hasn't attended the weekend training in the last 3 years to book on to a weekend to refresh their knowledge. More details can be found [here](#).