



White Ribbon Badge

Leaders' Guidance

We are excited to have partnered with both Jacky Bowes, High Sheriff of the East Riding of Yorkshire and [White Ribbon UK](#), to create the very first White Ribbon Scouts Badge!

Jacky is striving to bring people of all ages together to raise the profile of the issue of abuse of women and girls. We all need to be more aware and help drive changes and influence positive attitudes and behaviours from an early age. We need to call out inappropriate behaviours and have those difficult conversations. Together we can encourage our members, young people and adults, to live by our Scouting Values. Our participation in this crucial issue will mean that together we can help develop a call to action to help champion lasting change.

We have created two sets of criteria for the badge, specific to the younger or older Sections, which can be found on the following pages. Please choose the criteria most suitable for your Section to complete. For example, Scout Troops may wish to split their young people into two groups, to complete the criteria most appropriate for their age and life experiences.

Once you have completed the badge with your Section, please let us know by completing the online form: <https://forms.office.com/r/8hiYbcU8yk>

Jacky would like to invite Scouts to her County Legal Service to be awarded the first White Ribbon badges. We are looking for a young person from each Section that has taken on board what they have learned whilst completing the badge and demonstrated by their actions that they are playing a part in championing a lasting change.

Scouting is a safe space for everyone and whilst working towards the badge with your Section, you may need to refer to our Yellow Card - Safeguarding Code of Practice. Please share any concerns with your GSL and DC so we can ensure anyone who requires it, receives the help they need.



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For the younger Sections, we want to focus on influencing positive attitudes and behaviours from an early age and sharing the message that 'These hands are not for hurting'.

**THESE HANDS
ARE NOT FOR
HURTING**



1. Share three things that our hands can be used for that make others feel happy.
2. Share three things that our hands can be used for that might make others feel sad.
Discuss what we should do if someone uses their hands to make you feel sad.
3. Make a handprint, then with a partner swap them over. You should both write on the other person's handprint, words on each finger and thumb that describes you and makes you special and unique.
As a Section, then discuss why its good that we are all different.
4. Find a way to creatively share a symbol of the White Ribbon.
Share a photo of this on social media!
5. Make The Scouts White Ribbon Promise.
The words to this can be found on the following page.

Squirrels

BEAVERS

cubs



White Ribbon Badge

1. Learn about what White Ribbon means.
Share how this might now impact your daily life.
2. Wear a White Ribbon.
You could make these or buy them from [White Ribbon UK](https://www.whiteribbonuk.org/).
3. Make The White Ribbon Promise.
The words to this can be found on the following pages.
4. Learn and share knowledge about inspirational girls or women, who have shown how important it is that their voices are heard.
5. Share three ways young people can respond positively when someone is behaving in a way that stops women and girls from being treated equally.
This should include telling an adult if someone's behaviour is making you feel uncomfortable.
6. Thinking about friends and family and your new knowledge, how best would you support them, if they are worried about a relationship or about a friend.
What places would you guide them to for support and why?
E.g. Hull DAP www.hulldap.co.uk 01482 318759
 The Blue Door www.thebluedoor.org 0800 197 4787
7. Find a way to creatively share a symbol of the White Ribbon.
Share a photo of this with us on your social media and explain what it is about.



The Scouts White Ribbon Promise

I promise to...

always use my hands
and my words to make
everyone feel happy,
safe and included.

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The Scouts White Ribbon Promise

I promise to...

never use, excuse or
remain silent about
men's or boy's violence
against women or girls.