

### Introducing

our new Challenge Badge for Scouting and Guiding groups





Llangynidr, Mon & Brec Canal

The Canal & River Trust looks after over 2,000 miles of canals and rivers across England and Wales.

Our Challenge Badge helps young people learn about and celebrate these waterways through fun, and engaging activities.

All of the activities support the ethos of Scouting and Guiding and lots of them provide the skills needed to gain other formal badges.

#### Six canal and river-themed categories:



Each section contains background information sheets for group leaders and a range of activities to choose from. The activities can be easily differentiated to suit all Scouting and Guiding age groups and a majority can be adapted for indoors or outdoors.







# How to earn the badge

This is a fun, informal badge that young people can work towards as a group or individually. How young people earn the badge is entirely up to you. Here are some examples:

Complete one or two activities from every category

Complete a whole category

Complete a range of activities over a canal and river focussed month or weekend

There's so many activities to choose from, your Scouting or Guiding group can select a completely different set of activities to complete another year!



## Order your FREE badges

To order badges for your group, simply complete the form at: <a href="https://www.canalrivertrust.org.uk/explorers/school-and-group-visits">www.canalrivertrust.org.uk/explorers/school-and-group-visits</a>

### Stay safe

- Our canals and rivers are not safe places to swim
- Wear gloves and cover cuts or grazes when collecting things outdoors or taking part in a litter pick
- Always wash your hands after outdoor activities and before you eat
- Avoid sharp or jagged items such as broken glass, items which are too heavy to lift and biohazards such as dead animals, animal poo or needles
- If you see anything dangerous report it to us online or call 0303 040 4040

#### Keep in touch

Let us know how you're getting on with the badge and tell us about the other ways you've been exploring your local canal or river on social media #LifesBetterByWater

### Helping our communities

We have a range of volunteering opportunities for both individuals and groups. Visit the learning and youth development pages of our website to find out more about opportunities for taking social action. www.canalrivertrust.org.uk

