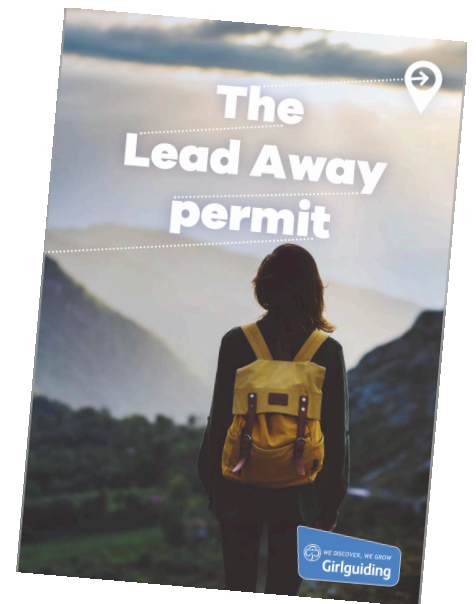




## Lead Away Permit



For all girl-led residentials, the organisers - the permit holder - must do the following:

- Complete a Residential event notification form and send it to their local commissioner for approval (except for DofE expeditions where the supervisor must complete either a Green or Blue form).
- The assessment camp must last two or three nights.

### The Lead Away permit

Rangers or young leaders who hold, or are working towards, the Lead Away permit can take away a group of between four to eight Rangers or young leaders, including themselves, for two or more nights without needing an adult leader.

The Ranger or young leader holding or working towards the permit must:

- Get approval from her leader and commissioner for the event and the venue with a completed REN form.
- If she's going on a non-DofE expedition, get her route plans approved as outlined on our page on members walking without a leader. - <https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/what-we-do/our-badges-and-activities/adventure-for-girls/walking-without-a-leader/>
- Appoint an adult supervisor who will be available at all times and is within 30 minutes' travelling time. They must hold A Safe Space level 3.
- Ensure that each participant completes an information and consent form and a health information form.
- Follow all relevant Girlguiding regulations and guidelines for residentials and activities.

Any member over the age of 18 holding their permit and taking away girls under the age of 18, must complete the Girlguiding recruitment and vetting process, be listed on GO as a unit residential occasional helper and undertake a criminal records check.

Once The Lead Away permit and the Leadership qualification have been completed, some modules of the Going Away With scheme can be credited.

To make sure this happens, you need to take the following steps.

- Get in contact with a Going Away With coordinator. Your commissioner or residential adviser will put you in touch.
- Share the Lead Away permit workbook, the Lead Away permit certificate and any other evidence you have of the Lead Away permit with the coordinator, and discuss the syllabus of the Going Away With scheme modules that will be credited. You do not have to redo any of the modules that are relevant to you. However, it may identify any training or support needs you have, and the mentor will ensure you are up to date with Girlguiding regulations and guidance on residential events..
- Your coordinator can contact the county GO coordinator and get the candidates GO record updated with the relevant modules.

There's more information on how the permit maps across in the guidance notes for the Lead Away permit. If going overseas with The Scout Association or another organisation, or participating in expeditions such as the Explorer Belt, [guidance on activities with other organisations](#) must be read and followed.