

If you have a YL starting with your unit, this is discussed with the Division Commissioner who adds their role to GO. If the girl has been a member before, please provide her GO membership number, if the girl has not been a member before, they need to complete the volunteer enquiry form on the national website.

Upon becoming a YL, their GO account will split from their parent account if they were previously a member. The email address will then be blank, either a commissioner or Unit Leader will need to enter the email address and emergency contact details, provided on the Starting Form for YLs. Any issues with GO accounts, do call Membership Support weekday 10am-2pm 0800 999 2016 or email them.

When a YL starts in your unit- please support them to complete their Safe Space 14-17 via the Learning Platform and give them the welcome leaflet – available from your Division Commissioner or on the link below. Once this is completed, notify your commissioner who will purchase and present the 'I take a lead' cloth badge to your YL in your unit meeting.



<https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/globalassets/docs-and-resources/managing-volunteers/yl-welcome-leaflet.pdf>

YLs could then choose to begin their Young Leader Development Programme, details on the link or via the QR code.

<https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/yldp>



The YLDP has 12 modules, they can be completed in any order and on the website, you will find, the discovery sheet and video to support the YL and the task sheet which shows the aims and tasks to complete in order to achieve it.

- Connecting your community
- Delivering activities
- Finding solutions
- Getting out and about
- Giving girls a voice
- Keeping it kind
- Knowing Girlguiding
- Looking after you
- Planning your activities
- Running activities safely
- Supporting inclusive spaces
- Working with others



When a module is completed, a Unit Leader signs this off on GO (from July 2024) in a similar way to girls programme in the unit. When 4 modules are completed and verified on GO- please celebrate this achievement in your unit, share the news with your Division Commissioner and County YL coordinator. Unit Leaders then purchase the pin badge 'Discovering Leadership' from the Guide Shop and celebrate this achievement in your unit. Please then celebrate each of the further 4 modules. 8 modules = Exploring Leadership. 12 modules = Empowering Leadership

The YLDP is flexible and inclusive, it is designed to help YLs develop their leadership skills and learn from their experiences. When a YL turns 18 yrs old, please discuss with them what role they would like to take up (Unit Helper or Leader in Training), provide a letter of commendation and inform your Division Commissioner who will change their role on GO. They will require a DBS and need to complete Safe Space 1 and 2 via the learning platform. If they have completed Empowering Leadership of the YLDP, they will have 4 modules of the Leadership Development Programme verified on the Learning Platform automatically.