

Charity registration certificate (England and Wales)



Certificate for HMRC registration (England and Wales)

Name of unit or area:	
Correspondence address:	
Phone number(s):	

I certify that:

The branch of The Guide Association named above is constituted in accordance with the Royal Charter and Bye-laws of The Guide Association, with the principal charitable objective of promoting education of girls and young women to help them develop emotionally, mentally, physically and spiritually so that they can make a positive contribution to their community and the wider world.

Please select one option	
<input type="checkbox"/>	It is a charity excepted from registration in accordance with the Charities (Exception of Certain Charities for Boy Scouts and Girl Guides from Registration) Regulations, 1961 UKSI 1961 No. 1044.
<input type="checkbox"/>	It is registered with the Charity Commission for England and Wales as a charity under the above name.
	Charity number: <input type="text"/>

Details of responsible persons:

Applicant:	Responsible person 1:	Responsible person 2:
Full name:	Full name:	Full name:
Address:	Address:	Address:
Date of birth:	Date of birth:	Date of birth:

Authorised signatory for Girlguiding:

Name:	
Date:	
Signature:	

See explanatory notes on next page

Charitable status and constitution of units and areas (branches) of The Guide Association

The Guide Association is a registered charity, incorporated by Royal Charter, and has the working name Girlguiding. It is a national organisation which delivers guiding activities throughout the United Kingdom by establishing and running units through its' local adult leader volunteers, for the Girlguiding sections, (Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Rangers) within the Girlguiding areas (Districts, Divisions and Counties) as Local Guiding Groups of the Association.

These branches or Local Guiding Groups are formally constituted in accordance with the provisions of Article 2(iii) of the Royal Charter, and Bye-law 9(2)(c) of the Bye-laws made pursuant to Article 8 of the Royal Charter.

The units and areas of The Guide Association, have the status of independent charities capable of registration in their own right. By virtue of the Charities (Exception of Certain Charities for Boy Scouts and Girl Guides from Registration) Regulations, 1961 UKSI 1961 No. 1044, generally only those units and areas which have the rateable use and occupation of property, or a permanent endowment, are obliged to register; all others have the status of 'excepted charities'.

Bye-law 9(2)(d) empowers the Committee of the Council of The Guide Association to make rules for the regulation of the affairs of the units and areas for the time being governed by the Association, and the pursuant to that Bye-law the constitutional structure and activities of units and areas of The Guide Association are regulated in accordance with the provisions of the existing Girlguiding Code of Conduct and Policies.

In accordance with these:

- 1.** The aim of guiding is to help girls and young women develop emotionally, mentally, physically and spiritually so that they can make a positive contribution to their community and the wider world (reflecting the primary charitable object laid down by the Royal Charter).
- 2.** The trustees of each branch or Local Guiding Group will be the adult volunteer holders of guiding appointments in that branch or Local Guiding Group.
- 3.** In the event of the disbandment of the branch or Local Guiding Group, its assets are transferred to The Guide Association (and by custom and practice redeployed for guiding purposes in the same locality).
- 4.** Membership of Girlguiding is open to any girl or young woman or young member aged between her 4th and 19th birthdays, and adult membership to any women or men aged 18 or over, regardless of faith, race, culture, nationality or any other circumstance. Applications for membership are made to the appropriate adult Leader or Commissioner, whose details are available from the Association's headquarters.