

Winter Camping Awards

Pacific Skyline Council, Boy Scouts of America

Unique winter camping badges available only from the Pacific Skyline Council



Snowflake Award



Polar Bear Award



Arctic Wolf Award

The **SNOWFLAKE AWARD** is for participation in snow activities, while sleeping in a cabin, RV, or camper. Cub Scouts may qualify for this award.

The **POLAR BEAR AWARD** is for those who camped in the snow (tent or snow shelter) for at least one night.

The **ARCTIC WOLF AWARD** is for Scouts completing an overnight backpack including snow travel on snowshoes or skis, including camping in the snow at least one mile from the trailhead.

Award Requirements

1. For the Snowflake or Polar Bear Awards, the trip leader must attend the District Winter Camping Seminar (Roundtable session) or Council course, Winter and Snow Camping Safety for Scout Leaders. The Council course, Winter and Snow Camping Safety for Scout Leaders, is required for the Arctic Wolf Award. The Northern Tier Okpik or Philmont Kanik courses may be substituted for the Council course.
2. A parents' meeting must be held to explain the trip and equipment requirements. At least one parent of a Scout must attend for the Scout to be eligible.
3. A special learning experience must be held for those Scouts going on the winter trip. Winter safety must be taught, including a showing and discussion of a winter camping and safety video. Scouts and Scouters seeking the Arctic Wolf Award must have previously earned the Polar Bear Award and participate in a winter backpack briefing.
4. A BSA Tour Plan must be properly submitted and approved by the Council Service Center.
5. After the trip, an application must be submitted to the Scouting Service Center for patches for those Scouts and Scouters who qualified for the awards.

Application for Winter Camping Award Patches

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After completing all requirements for one of the Pacific Skyline Winter Camping Awards, fill out this form and submit it, along with a copy of your Tour Plan and a list of those Scouts and Scouters qualifying, to either the Palo Alto (Lucie Stern) office at (650) 327.5900 or the Foster City Service Center at (650) 341.5633. Call to check on current price and availability of patches.

You may also mail the completed form with a check for the patches to:

Pacific Skyline Council
Winter Camping Awards
1150 Chess Drive
Foster City, CA 94404

Use a separate application for each type of patch. Fill in the number of patches on the corresponding line.

Snowflake Award patch quantity _____

Polar Bear Award patch quantity _____

Arctic Wolf Award patch quantity _____



Send patches to:

Name _____

Street address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (_____) _____

Unit type Troop Pack Unit number _____

Date of Tour Plan _____ Tour Plan number _____

Checklist:

Name of trip leader attending training course _____

Name, location, and date of training course _____

Date of parents' briefing meeting _____

Date of special learning experience for Scout (attach description) _____

Attach Tour Plan

Attach list of persons qualifying

Submit application to address above