

Sam Houston Area Council

Conservation Award

www.shac.org/conservation

Requirements for Youth

The award is intended to encourage youth to learn about resource stewardship issues and in a small way contribute to a solution. It is also intended to encourage them to consider working toward a Hornaday Badge and/or Medal. It involves completing a Hornaday qualifying conservation project (see section on Hornaday projects) that involves **researching**, designing and leading the execution of a conservation project that is based on sound **scientific principles and practices**. This is generally done under the supervision of a professional or knowledgeable amateur and a Scouter familiar with the Hornaday program (they may be the same person depending on their background).

This is like doing an Eagle project in conservation except there is more emphasis on understanding the resource stewardship issues and accepted practices. **Properly designed, executed and documented an Eagle project can satisfy the requirement for the award and be used to satisfy one Hornaday project requirement.**

The award consists of a patch and a segment related to the type of project completed. The youth will receive a segment for each additional project completed that is related to the project type. The patch and segment types are shown below:



Requirements for Adults

The adult version of this award is intended to encourage adults to encourage Scouters to become actively involved in teaching Scouts and Scouters the value of natural systems and wise resource management techniques and practices through fun activities and service projects. The emphasis should be on education and demonstrating by setting an example. The award is earned by self monitoring similar to the training awards and involves completing requirements in three areas :tenure, training and service. Progress cards with the requirements are available through the Council Conservation Committee. An example of the card is attached below:

SHAC Conservation Award PROGRESS RECORD

Scouter Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone Number (Area Code _____) - _____

TENURE

Unit Type and Number _____

>>>Complete two (2) years as registered Scouter.

1-Month _____ Year _____ to Month _____ Year _____

2-Month _____ Year _____ to Month _____ Year _____

TRAINING—Earn 6 points

>>>Complete *New Leader Essentials* and *Position-Specific* training for your position—or the previous equivalent basic training [1 point]

Date completed _____ Instructor Signature _____

>>>Complete *Project WILD* course (6 hours minimum) [2 points]

Date completed _____ Instructor Signature _____

>>>Complete *Project Aquatic WILD* course (6 hours minimum) [2 points]

Date completed _____ Instructor Signature _____

>>>Complete *Project WILD Facilitator* course [4 points]

Date completed _____ Instructor Signature _____

Submit copy of certificate of completion.

>>>Complete *Hornaday Advisor* training [1 point]

Date completed _____ Instructor Signature _____

>>>Complete *Ecology and Plants & Wildlife Consultant* training [1 point]

Date completed _____ Instructor Signature _____

>>Conservation-related courses at Cub POW-WOW or University of Scouting will be worth **one [1] point** each.

Course _____

Date completed _____ Instructor Signature _____

Course _____

Date completed _____ Instructor Signature _____

Course _____

Date completed _____ Instructor Signature _____

>>>Complete any conservation-related course of study offered by the B.S.A., SHAC, or a recognized public agency—for example, the Texas Parks and Wildlife *Master Naturalist Program*. **POINTS TO BE DETERMINED—Contact SHAC Conservation Committee—see below.**

Course _____

Points Agreed _____ SHAC CC Signature _____

Date completed _____ Instructor Signature _____

>>>Design and complete a course of self-study. **POINTS TO BE DETERMINED—Contact SHAC Conservation Committee—see below.**

Course/Program _____

Points Agreed _____ SHAC CC Signature _____

Date completed _____ SHAC CC Signature _____

SERVICE—Earn 10 points

>>>Act as a counselor for one or more of the Hornaday qualifying MB. For every two boys who successfully complete a merit badge, you may receive **1 point**. There is a **4-point maximum** for this category.

Merit Badge _____
Date completed _____ Scoutmaster Signature _____

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Date completed _____ Scoutmaster Signature _____

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Date completed _____ Scoutmaster Signature _____

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Date completed _____ Scoutmaster Signature _____

>>>Act as a consultant for one or more of the following Ranger Award electives:
Ecology, Plants & Wildlife. For every Venturer who successfully completes an
elective, you may receive **3 points** and there is **no maximum** for this category.

Ranger Elective _____
Date completed _____ Advisor Signature _____

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Date completed _____ Advisor Signature _____

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Date completed _____ Advisor Signature _____

>>>Conduct/facilitate a Project WILD or Project Aquatic WILD course **[3 points]**

Date completed _____

Date completed _____

Date completed _____

>>>Actively volunteer for a continuous period of one year for a conservation-
oriented organization - **POINTS TBD—Contact SHAC Conservation Committee.**

Points Agreed _____ SHAC CC Signature _____

Date service begun _____ Date service completed _____

Authorized Signature _____ Title _____

>>>Coordinate a major portion of a SHAC Conservation Program –
POINTS TBD—Contact SHAC Conservation Committee.

Points Agreed _____ SHAC CC Signature _____

Date completed _____

Authorized Signature _____ Title _____

>>>Act as a Hornaday Advisor for a Scout or Venturer. For each successful award
application (badge and/or medal), you may receive **4 points** and there is **no maximum**
for this category.

Date completed _____ SHAC CC Signature _____

Date completed _____ SHAC CC Signature _____

Date completed _____ SHAC CC Signature _____

>>>Act as a Hornaday/Conservation Advisor for a Scout unit (pack, troop, crew,
team, ship) working toward a Hornaday Unit Citation. For each successful award
application, you may receive **2 points** and there is **no maximum** for this category.

Date completed _____ SHAC CC Signature _____

Date completed _____ SHAC CC Signature _____

Date completed _____ SHAC CC Signature _____

>>>Actively volunteer for a recognized conservation event—**POINTS TBD**
—Contact SHAC Conservation Committee

Conservation Event _____

Points Agreed _____ SHAC CC Signature _____

Date completed _____

Authorized Signature _____ Title _____