



POLAND 2027

26th World Scout Jamboree
26e Jamboree Scout Mondial™

FAQs

Q: What is a World Scout Jamboree?

A: A World Scout Jamboree is a celebration of Scouting when participants from all over the world assemble in one place.

Q: How often do they happen?

A: Once every 4 years, just like the Olympics and World Cup. The first WSJ took place in 1920 and in 2027 it will be the 26th WSJ.

Q: When is this 26th WSJ?

A: From 30 July to 8 August 2027.

Q: Where will it take place?

A: In Wyspa Sobieszewska within the borders of the city of Gdańsk, on the coast of the Baltic Sea in northern Poland.

Q: Who can attend?

A: An invested Scout/Explorer who was born no sooner than 30 July 2009 and no later than 30 July 2013 can apply.

If you are too old, you may be able to apply for the International Support Team, or if too young, you should get the opportunity to go to the WSJ in Denmark in 2031.

Q: Who runs the event?

A: The World Organisation of the Scout Movement and the Scout Association of the host country run the event.

Q: Will this be the only opportunity to go as a participant?

A: The event cycle is designed to ensure that every Scout, at some point in their Scouting life, will have the opportunity to attend a WSJ but this is highly likely to be the only chance they'll get as a participant.

Q: How much will the Jamboree cost?

A: The cost to participants will be £3,650 which needs to be raised over the next 18 months. Payments are spread out in instalments, roughly one payment every 3 months.

Q: This is a lot of money, can you help me to fundraise?

A: It is our experience that many participants will get financial support from their own Scout Group or Scout District, but this is not guaranteed. As a Unit we will also give many hints and tips on how you can raise funds as part of your Jamboree experience. There may also be opportunities to raise funds as an activity across the Unit as a whole. This is usually something discussed and agreed at an early stage by the Units' members and their parents as a group, shortly after selection has been concluded. Whilst we will help and support you the commitment to make the payments rest with the participant and their family.

Q: If I am suffering financial hardship does this prevent me from going?

A: It is impossible to answer this and cover every possible circumstance, however as a rule financial hardship should not be an obstacle to participation. It is best that if you have specific concerns you address these with the Unit leaders at the earliest stage possible.

Q: Does that fee cover everything?

A: The fee covers everything except spending money and personal choices over equipment. Uniforms, luggage, tents, food activities, training weekends, insurance, are all included in the £3,650.

Q: How many Scouts can go?

A: Berkshire is taking one Unit of 36 Scouts (plus leaders) with the UK contingent aiming to send over 2,500 Scouts in total.

Q: Who will be looking after the Scouts whilst at the Jamboree?

A: There is a wide range of experience in the Unit leadership team. Each Unit will be supported by 4 specially trained adult leaders and the UK Contingent is backed by an International Support Team of additional adults involved in the Scout movement.

Q: What will Scouts do at the Jamboree?

A: Meet Scouts from all over the world and take part in a huge range of activities that are being put on for the participants, some on site and some off site.

Q: Will it be safe?

A: The event is planned with adherence to The Scout Association standards of health, safety and welfare of everyone involved. It will be like a camp in the UK, just in Poland!

Q: What if Scouts have a medical condition/disability – will that stop them from being able to apply?

A: Not in any way. Scouting is fully inclusive; disability, sexuality, identity, race, religion, will not form a barrier to being selected to go.

Q: What about catering for allergies, vegans and vegetarians?

A: All options will be catered for during the event.

Q: What will be asked of the Scouts?

A: Commitment, fundraising, to be themselves, and (ideally) live by the principles of the Scout movement.