

# County process for becoming a Leader

Volunteers who'd like to become a leader should first talk to their local commissioner to let them know they're interested, then there are two routes on the learning platform that can be followed;

**Option 1** – complete 'Getting started in Girlguiding' and 'Growing in Girlguiding' then register to begin the leader training.

**Option 2** – if the volunteer has been with Girlguiding for a while, they may know lots about Girlguiding already, so can complete a quiz to check their knowledge.

Once completed the quiz or registration, if over 18 years old they need to let their commissioner know to change their role to **Leader in training**. (If they are under 18 they will not have a role change and will stay in the Young Leader role)

The '[Becoming a leader](#)' training will be unlocked on the learning platform

*You can only become a leader when you're 18 but you can start working towards it from the age of 16.*

Once registered you'll be assigned a mentor and they'll help you plan your time.

There are three learning areas;

**Building foundations** You'll learn how to deliver guiding in a fun and safe way, whilst following our policies.

**Engaging guiding** You'll learn how to involve young members in creating the very best Girlguiding experiences in a way that is suitable for all.

**You and your team** You'll learn to work as a team and manage the unit.

At the end of each you'll need to arrange for your mentor to visit you in the unit. At the official check-in points, the mentor will complete a check-in form which the leader in training needs to upload to their learning area.

Leaders in training will need to complete all the topics in Becoming a leader, as well as the check-ins, before their training will be marked as complete

They can be changed to a Leader once A Safe Space level 3 (over 18's) has also been completed. Under 18s will need to attend the 'Risky Business' webinar and complete A Safe Space level 3 when they turn 18 and then their role can be changed to Leader

A certificate and badge will be presented to the new leader by the County or Deputy Commissioner