



**Scouts**   
6th Ramsgate  
Royal Harbour Sea Scouts

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# **THE WELCOME PACK**

**Joining Information for  
6th Ramsgate Sea Scout Group**

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This welcome pack is designed to give you all the necessary information to get your child started in the Scout Section. It includes:

- Information about Scouting and our Group
- The Scout Promise and Law
- Forms to be printed, completed and returned

If you have further questions which are not answered here, then please do not hesitate to contact the Scout Leaders as follows:

More information about the Group and our history can be found online at

[www.6thramsgateseascouts.org.uk](http://www.6thramsgateseascouts.org.uk)

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## Scout Section

The Scout Section is run by the Scout Leader and usually at least one Assistant Leader. **All Leaders are volunteers** who give their time for free and receive special training for their role. The Leaders are responsible for planning and running a programme of activities and games at meetings and special events. All Leaders are DBS checked and will have completed ongoing Child Safeguarding training.

Scout meetings are held  
every **Friday** evening  
between **18:30 and 20:30.**

The Scout section is divided into Patrols of six to eight Scouts named after British birds. Patrol Leaders are appointed by the Leaders who feel they meet the requirements, have shown commitment and have a good knowledge of Scouting.

There is also a Senior Patrol Leader, who from the quarterdeck leads the young people in their drill, and helps oversee activities. The Senior Patrol Leader is always the most experienced and most dedicated Scout.

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## Associations

The Ramsgate Small Boat Owners Association kindly donates the use of their mooring for our boats as well as the use of their boating area in the outer Harbour. In return all Scouts become associate members of the group. This does not cost anything and is done under the care of 6<sup>th</sup> Ramsgate Royal Harbour Sea Scouts.

## Activities

Being RN recognized means there are certain badges we are expected to complete as well as water activities, the challenge badges and everyday scouting. To fit all of this in we have a three-year rolling program. There are many indoor activities as well as trips to local places of interest and District run events.

From around mid-April to the end of October we try to get away from the confines of the Scout hall and carry out as many outside activities as possible. November to April we are based at our HQ and to break up the winter months, we usually have short weekend camps and hikes.

## Water Activities

Water Activities are our main outdoor activity and are strictly controlled by our qualified leadership team. Scouts have the opportunity to try all the activities.

Any Sea Scout who cannot swim can still take part provided they are wearing the correct life jacket.

## Land Activities

Land activities are a major part of Scouting. We try to organise one main camp each year. Short weekend camps are normally undertaken during the winter months and hikes are carried out all year from four to twenty miles.

## Church Parades

There are only two Church Parades which we expect all Scouts to attend. One is St George's Day, which is organised by the District and takes place in April at the Winter Gardens, Margate. The other is Remembrance Day in Ramsgate in November which takes place in St George's Church, Ramsgate.



## Uniform

All Sea Scouts are expected to wear full uniform once they are invested, as follows:

- Hats – white with 'Sea Scout' Tally Band,
- Neckerchief – white, rolled and pressed,
- Jumpers – blue 'Sea Scout' jumper,
  
- Trousers (or skirt if preferred) – smart black\*,
- Socks (or tights if skirt worn) – black, and
- Shoes – smart black\*.
- Scout Belt

*\*Black trousers / skirts and shoes can be those worn for school, however where some schools accept black trainers these are not acceptable for Scout uniform*

Navy Blue Sea Scout jumpers and Scout belts can be bought online from the Scout shop: The neckers, woggles, and the hat talibands can be purchased from the leaders at a small cost. Please also see the Order Form later in this pack.

The **Royal Navy Caps** are ordered from Naval Stores and cost around £20. To buy, you will need to send a letter providing your child's head measurement in centimeters. Please obtain the details from the leaders.

We also ask that all Scouts bring a **complete** change of clothing for the evening's activities, so that their uniforms will remain clean and undamaged.

We recommend:

- T-shirt/jumper
- Old jogging bottoms/trousers
- Trainers
- Old coat



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In the case of water activities, Scouts will also need to bring:

- Sensible shoes
- Water proof trousers
- Water proof jacket
- Towel
- Shower gel

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## Membership Cost

Our Group is completely volunteer run and none of our Leaders or Executive Members are paid for their role. However, running a Sea Scout Group is very expensive and, although we do everything in our power to keep costs as low as possible, we do have relatively high running costs compared to land-based Scout groups because of our boats. 'Subs' include the following components;

- Scout HQ Membership Fee (covering insurance, resources and information etc.);
- Section/Group running costs; Books, certificates and badges;
- Leader training and specialist skills; and
- a contribution to our running costs/rent.

For convenience subs are paid on a monthly basis. The monthly membership fee is currently **£15**. This should be paid by a monthly standing order directly from your bank account on a date of your choice. This ensures that the Young Person is recorded as a member of the Scout Association and that insurance cover is valid. A standing order form is included with this pack and is our preferred method of payment. Alternative methods of payment (such as cash or cheque) should be discussed with your Section Leader and agreed in advance. We also encourage you to complete a Gift Aid Form, however you choose to pay your subs, as it enables us to claim extra money from the government at NO additional cost to you.

If subs are not received within four weeks of becoming due, the Executive Committee reserve the right to refuse admission of any Young Person until subs are paid. Subs are reviewed annually; changes will be given in writing to parents/carers at least two calendar months before the revised subs are due.

On occasion, the Group may be able to offer financial assistance. The Group will consider such circumstances on a case by case basis and discussions will always be in confidence.

Please print and complete the following forms and return them to a Leader.

- Data Protection Form
- Personal/Medical Details/Consent Form
- Consent Forms
- Standing Order / Gift Aid Form



## Scout Promise and Law

The Law and Promise are central to the ethos of Scouting. Scouts will need to know both of these before their Investiture.

An infographic consisting of two purple rounded rectangular boxes. The top box is titled 'The Scout Law' and lists seven principles. The bottom box is titled 'The Scout Promise' and contains a specific promise for Christians, Jews, and Sikhs.

**Scouts**  **The Scout Law**

1. A Scout is to be trusted.
2. A Scout is loyal.
3. A Scout is friendly and considerate.
4. A Scout belongs to the worldwide family of Scouts.
5. A Scout has courage in all difficulties.
6. A Scout makes good use of time and is careful of possessions and property.
7. A Scout has self-respect and respect for others.

**Scouts**  **The Scout Promise**

**For Christians, Jews and Sikhs**

On my honour,  
I promise that I will do my best  
to do my duty to God  
and to the Queen,  
to help other people  
and to keep the Scout Law.

For those for whom promising to do their “duty to God” is not appropriate, there are a number of alternatives available. Please mention this to Skip before your Scout’s Investiture.

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Scouts name \_\_\_\_\_

## Data Protection

I accept that the Scout Group will be keeping information about my son's/daughter's membership of the Scout Movement for Scouting purposes.

I give explicit consent to the holding of information of my son's/daughter's health; disabilities; religion/faith; race/ethnic origin again for Scouting purposes.

I give/do not give consent to the disclosure of any of information held to third parties associated with the Scout Movement in order that they may offer products and services which may be of interest.

*\*\*Please note this information will be held on computer solely for the Group's use\*\**

## Photograph and Media Consent

I do/do not give permission as the parent or guardian of the named person above for their likeness to be used for the purposes of the Group's internal and external publications, newsletters, presentations, and local/national newspaper articles. No names will be used to identify your child

I understand that I may retract my permission at any time by contacting the Scout Leader in writing.

## Website Consent

Due to the public nature of an internet site, we would like your permission to be able to include your child's photo on the site. No names will be used to identify your child.

I do/do not give permission for my child to be included on the 6<sup>th</sup> Ramsgate Royal Harbour Sea Scouts Group website.

## Permission

In the event of illness or accident requiring emergency hospital treatment, I authorise the Leaders to sign on my behalf any written form of consent required by the hospital authorities, if the delay required to obtain my own signature is considered inadvisable by the medical practitioner concerned.

*Note: The medical profession takes the view that the patient's consent to medical treatment cannot be delegated. Thus medical consent forms have no legal status and a doctor/nurse insisting on the consent of the patient to a particular treatment has the right to do so.*



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Signed  
Name

Date

## Personal/Medical Details Form

### DETAILS OF SCOUT

Name

Date of Birth

Address

Postcode

Phone No

Email

### EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS

Name

Relationship to YP

Phone No

Mobile No

### HEALTH DETAILS OF SCOUT

Family Doctor's

Phone No

Name

Address

Is s/he known to suffer from any of the following?

Hayfever

YES / NO

Epilepsy

YES / NO

Giddy spells

YES / NO

Asthma

YES / NO

Diabetes

YES / NO

Angina (or other heart condition) YES / NO

Any other disability or known allergy e.g. penicillin (if yes please give details)

YES / NO

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Does s/he take any form of medication? YES / NO (If yes please give details below)

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Have you received a tetanus injection? YES / NO (If yes give date injection given below)

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I will inform the Leaders in charge if s/he is in contact with any infectious disease within 3 weeks of any event.

## Standing Order Form

### TO THE MANAGER

Bank \_\_\_\_\_  
Full Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Bank Sort Code

Account Number

### ACCOUNT INFORMATION

Your Account \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Account \_\_\_\_\_  
Account Number \_\_\_\_\_  
Your address \_\_\_\_\_  
Postcode \_\_\_\_\_

### PLEASE PAY TO

Bank, Address LLOYDS TSB, QUEEN STREET, RAMSGATE

Bank Sort Code

Account Number

Account Name SIXTH RAMSGATE SEA SCOUT GROUP

The Sum

Please enter the amount in multiples of fifteen depending on the number of children you have in the group.

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Reference \_\_\_\_\_ (Young Persons Initial & Surname) \_\_\_\_\_

The first payment to be made on the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_\_ and thereafter on the  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of every month, until you receive further notice from me in writing.



## Gift Aid Declaration

### Parent/Guardian details:

Title	Forename(s)	Surname
Home address		
Postcode:		

I would like **6<sup>th</sup> Ramsgate Royal Harbour Sea Scout Group** to treat my membership subscription as a Gift Aid donation from this date forward and for the previous six financial periods (if applicable).

Date	Signature
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### How does it work?

Donating through Gift Aid means our charity can claim an extra 25p for every £1 you give. It will not cost you any extra.

Your donations will qualify as long as they're not more than 4 times what you have paid in tax in the current tax year (6 April to 5 April).

You can make a Gift Aid declaration for our charity to claim by completing this form and handing it to your group leader or forwarding a copy to [treasurer@6thramsgateseascouts.org.uk](mailto:treasurer@6thramsgateseascouts.org.uk)

You must tell us if you change name or address, or you stop paying enough tax.

Higher rate tax payers may claim additional tax relive via their self assessment tax return or by asking HMRC to amend your tax code.