Joining List Policy

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Where sections have no spaces for additional young people, a joining list shall be operated. The joining lists will be held by section leaders.

The allocation of places on the joining list shall be managed according to the following priorities:

1. Succession within the Group

Where a young person is already in the Group, places shall be maintained to allow them to progress through the sections.

2 Existing Beavers, Cubs or Scouts moving to the area

Existing members of Scouting relocating from outside of the area and wishing to continue their Scouting Journey

3. Parental involvement in Group

Where a parent already volunteers for the Group or is willing to take on a leadership or executive role in the Group, priority may be given based on the potential benefit to the Group.

4. Existing family involvement in Group

Where young people have siblings in the Group priority shall be given over those with no connection.

5. Date of Birth and Time on List

Places shall be allocated according to age. Where individuals are within 6 months of each other, the length of time they have been on the joining list shall be taken into account.

The decision to offer membership of the Scout Group to any young person rests entirely with the Group Scout Leader. There is no "automatic right" to membership, regardless of how long a young person has been on the joining list, and as such there is no right of appeal. This does not affect a young person's rights under equality legislation or the Scout Association's Equal Opportunities Policy.

The membership of sections often depends on child/adult ratios so if there is a joining list then it could be prudent to ask about helping out.