

## Awards of Distinction Overview

**Criteria:** Eligible candidates must have completed appropriate training, if applicable and carried out the duties and responsibilities for the position that they hold for the entire year.

**Procedure:** The recognition chair/service unit manager is responsible for identifying and purchasing team members and special assignment volunteers Award of Distinction Pins. Leaders and co-leaders are eligible to purchase Award of Distinction Pins at any council shop with service unit-approved form.

**Form of recognition:** The Award of Distinction is a multi-colored enamel pin. The pin is awarded for the first year the award is received and comes with three separate center colors: white for service unit manager, yellow for leader/co-leader and red for service unit team member. For each successive year that the award is received, a gold bell-shaped attachment to the pin is awarded with a different colored border denoting the year. The attachment colors are:

Number of years	Color of Attachment	Number of years	Color of Attachment
2 <sup>nd</sup> year	Tan	9 <sup>th</sup> year	Hot pink
3 <sup>rd</sup> year	Red	10 <sup>th</sup> year	Gold
4 <sup>th</sup> year	Yellow	11 <sup>th</sup> year	Navy blue
5 <sup>th</sup> year	Silver	12 <sup>th</sup> year	Turquoise
6 <sup>th</sup> year	Blue	13 <sup>th</sup> year	Dark green
7 <sup>th</sup> year	Light green	14 <sup>th</sup> year	Light pink
8 <sup>th</sup> year	Purple	15 <sup>th</sup> year	Charcoal gray

**Deadline:** Set by service unit, generally two to four weeks prior to your service unit year-end recognitions event.

**Award presentation:** At your service unit year-end recognitions event

**For further information:** See individual awards for specific criteria for designated position/award. Contact your recognitions chair, service unit manager or council membership staff at (619) 298-8391.

**Award of Distinction**

**Service Unit Member with Special Assignment**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Assignment \_\_\_\_\_  
(encampment director, special events chair, webmaster, community relations, or other)

Must meet all the following criteria.

Took appropriate training (if available)  
Describe training \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Met with the service unit manager and agreed on the specifics of the assignment description/ expectations. (List the major responsibilities below.) Discussed and adapted the position description/expectations.

Responsibility: \_\_\_\_\_

Activities to meet this goal were \_\_\_\_\_

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How did this support benefit the members of the service unit? \_\_\_\_\_

Completed and submitted appropriate paperwork, evaluations and reports within specified time limits.  
Aware of the Girl Scout Leadership Experience keys to leadership—Discover, Connect and Take action. Utilized the three processes— Girl-led, Learning by Doing and Cooperative Learning in planning activities with and for the girls.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Recognitions Chair

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Service Unit Manager

\_\_\_\_\_  
Pin

Year tab number\* \_\_\_\_\_

\*all criteria must be met each year that tab is awarded