

WHAT ARE THE SALTIRE AWARDS?

The Saltire Award is a national programme for young people between the ages of 12-25 designed to recognise achievements in volunteering.

Young people gain nationally recognised certificates, signed by Scottish Government Ministers, for the different amounts of volunteering they do.

Saltire Awards can also be distributed by a Volunteer Group Leader in recognition of the hard work of their young volunteers. Saltire Awards Certificates are categorised as:

The Challenge

For those getting started in volunteering through team challenges

The Approach

For when volunteers have reached 10 and 25 hours volunteering

The Ascent

For when voluneers have reached 50, 100, 200 or even 500 hours

The Summit

For those that have made an outstanding contribution to volunteering



WHAT COUNTS TOWARDS A SALTIRE AWARD?

The Saltire Awards recognise volunteering that meets the following three clear characteristics:

- It is a free will activity. This means you are doing it because you want to, and no one is forcing you to do it.
- It is not done for financial gain.
 Volunteering is not a job and you cannot be paid; however, you may have any reasonable expenses covered.
- It is for the benefit of the community, society at large or an individual

WHAT YOUNG PEOPLE GET FROM VOLUNTEERING?

- Gain new skills and experience that will look great CVs and further education applications
- Meet new people and make new friends and connections
- Make a difference to individual people, communities and the environment
- By registering with the Saltire Awards young people can also earn up to 3,000 Young Scot Reward Points with each Saltire Award achieved
- Have fun!

SIGN UP FOR A GROUP ADMINISTRATOR SALTIRE ACCOUNT TODAY

Once you have a Group Administrator Account it is really easy to create certificates to recognise your volunteers' contributions. Volunteers can add the certificates to their own account and track their hours to help build towards the higher achievements. If you'd like to nominate someone for a Summit award get in touch with us.

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