

GRANT AWARD APPLICATION FORM for a Peer Group Expedition (Self-organised & without adult leaders)

Please note This Application Form contains privileged information and shall remain confidential between the person submitting the form and the Young Explorers' Trust (YET). It shall not be communicated or disclosed, in whole or in part, except as required to be disclosed by law, or by any governmental or regulatory authority, or used for any purpose other than the specified application for grant aid.

Notes on completing the Application form

Please read the Guidance notes (appended as Annex A below) **before completing this form.**

There are resources on the YET Web site (www.theyet.org) that may be useful and further Advice may be obtained from the YET Mentoring Coordinator who will also be able to give guidance and assistance with expedition planning (see the drop-down menu "what we do" – "mentoring")

All questions are to be answered. Additional material may be inserted or attached to supplement the answers given in this application form.

Please note that the closing date is 1st March each year

The boxes in each section of the form will expand to accommodate the length of your response.

1. Identity of the Applicant

Name of Person making the application			
Address (include postcode)			
E-mail address		Telephone	
What is your role on the expedition? e.g. leader/ member			

2. Identity of the Expedition

Name (Title) of the Expedition?						
Name of the Expedition Leader						
Number of Assistant Leaders		Number of members		Total number on the Expedition		
Age ranges		Age ranges		Age ranges		
How many of the group are at:	school		college		work	

3. Where and when the expedition will take place

State when and where the start and end of the expedition will be.				
From: place and date		To: place and date		Total inclusive number of days =
State briefly in which country and region the venture will take place. (Please insert or attach a suitable map if you have one)				
Number of days travelling to and from expedition area:				= DAYS
Explain briefly how the expedition will travel to the area.				
How have the environmental and cultural impacts of the venture been assessed and what steps have been, or will be, taken to mitigate (off-set) them.				
Number of days actually in the expedition area:				= DAYS
Insurance Please give details of the insurance cover for the expedition				

4. The Purpose of the Expedition

The purpose, aim and objectives must be clearly identified and defined and be drawn from scientific fieldwork, physical challenge and adventure, or a community or environmental project.
Please also describe the nature of the expedition activities and how much time in days will be allowed for each. What amenities (camping /huts etc) and facilities will be used. You can show this as a day by day itinerary if you wish.

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5. Expedition Activity Experience:

What previous experience does the group have of any of the expedition activities, especially those involving hazardous adventure (e.g. as applicable – canoe travel, mountain trekking, walking on snow or ice, being in the desert / jungle) ?		
If you are going outside the UK has the Foreign and Commonwealth Office advice been studied?		
YES	NO	NOT YET

6. Expedition Management

Please outline your expedition management plans to ensure that the expedition is as safe as possible and delivered in a responsible way. (This should include - at least - risk assessments, route planning, communications, and emergency/ contingency plans.) (you may add extra documents if you wish but clearly label each with Expedition name and purpose of the document)
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7. Finance

What is the cost of the venture per person in GBP. (Show if this is different for Leaders)	Members	Leaders
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Cost of Travel		
What is the cost of the venture per head		
Total Cost per person		

8. In-country Representative

Has a representative in the country the expedition will take place in been identified who is capable and prepared to support the Leadership Team in response to an incident or emergency?	Yes	No	Not Yet
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9. Home Representative:

When you are on expedition it is important to have one person in the UK who can act as “the communicator” for the expedition, especially in an emergency. Has one been appointed?	Yes	No	Not Yet
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10. Special Circumstances

Are there any special circumstances which you might feel should be drawn to our attention?

11. Expedition challenges and benefits

In your own words please explain what you see as the challenges of this adventurous project/expedition, and why you want to take part in it.
(the box will expand to fit the length of your answers)

Why do you think this expedition might benefit you

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12. Referee

Please give the name address, email and telephone contact details for **one independent adult** (e.g. Teacher, Youth/ Scout / Guide Leader, Expedition Leader, University lecturer) who has agreed to support your application.

Name of Person supporting your application			
Address (include postcode)			
E-mail address		Telephone	
Briefly state how this person knows you, and for how long.			

Signed

Date

For Applicants under the age of 18 *

I confirm that I have agreed to the above applicant participating in the activity described.

Signed..... Parent/Guardian/Carer

Print Name.....Tel/email.....

(For electronic applications if possible please add a facsimile of your signature or tick the following box to indicate agreement (....))

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The making of grants through the YET Awards Scheme is made possible by the kind acts of benevolence of individuals and organisations keen to encourage and support youth exploration. The YET Awards Scheme is a mechanism by which applications for and the awarding of grants is managed. In deciding to whom grants are made, YET has not evaluated the processes, systems, or risk management of the Venture or of any main or third-party Provider with which the beneficiary is to travel or make use of their services. The donation of the award alone does not confer a mark of evaluation on the Venture or any of its Providers.

Please check you have completed every relevant section of this form clearly and then return it by email to grants@theyet.org (only to be used for Grant Application forms) , Further advice can be sought from the YET Grants Secretary, M.Brown , m.brown62@btinternet.com or the Grants Coordinator, Ted Grey: tedgrey91@gmail.com

Closing date is 1st March each year (see notes G below).

ANNEX A

General Guidance Notes for Group Awards

- A. The Young Explorers' Trust makes awards annually to **young people aged 25 or under at the start of the expedition** to assist them to take part in adventurous projects or expeditions at home or abroad. Applications are welcomed from all young people whatever their circumstances. The definition of adventure should relate to the background and experience of the applicant. The number of grants made each year is approximately 20. The number of applications is usually over 100
- B. Each of the individual awards is named after a famous explorer, something closely associated with exploration or someone very active in youth exploration. For details see www.theyet.org
- C. The criteria for making Awards are:
 - a. The reason for the application and the nature of the project. Any special circumstance eg. home circumstances, disability, disadvantage etc
 - b. When viewing the applications, the Panel will consider the quality of the application and will assess the challenge the venture presents to the applicant in view of their circumstance and experience.
 - c. Applications are judged largely on the Application Form presented, although approaches may be made to the stated referee.
 - d. **Length of the Expedition.** This should be over an extended period of at least 7 -10 days e.g. D.of E Gold Expeditions do not meet that criteria.
- D. Young people applying for a Peer Group Award should themselves complete the application form. **However, there may be some occasions where this is not possible, and this is quite acceptable if the form is returned with an accompanying letter from an adult explaining the circumstances.**
- E. Applications will normally be considered by a Panel of experienced Expedition Leaders and organisers. Their decision is final.
- F. The decisions of the Panel will normally be communicated by email.
- G. **Only one Application Form should be completed.** This will cover all the different named Awards (The Everest , Jim Bishop , David Hollier , John Hunt, Stephenson , Vivian Fuchs, YET, DYEG Awards) which will be allocated by the Panel. Please send electronic applications as a Word or pdf document. **The closing date is 1st March each year.** Please contact the YET Grants Secretary for advice if your venture is in December to February.
- H. Applications received where the parent/guardian of an 18 or under applicant has not signed (ticked) the consent section will not be considered.
- I. For **peer groups or self organised expeditions** we expect you to demonstrate that you have thought about and made plans for your own and the groups safety for the duration of the expedition. This should be through good expedition management tools which should include at least risk assessments, route planning, communications, and emergency/ contingency plans.
- J. **University Fieldwork** expeditions should apply to the Royal Geographical Society (RGS) and not Young Explorers Trust (YET). Adventure based expeditions should apply to YET