

CUB SCOUT CYCLIST AWARD

The objective of this award is to introduce Cub Scouts to the pleasures of cycling, while teaching both safety and cycling laws. This award may be earned by all registered Cub Scouts and Adult Cub Scout Leaders.

4- PATCH AWARD:

Red	=	5 Miles
Bronze	=	10 Miles
Silver	=	15 Miles
Gold	=	20 Miles

Each patch is embroidered in 4 different colors. Each patch MUST be earned separately.

Requirements:

1. General Requirements must be met. Reference: Cub Scout Bicycling Sports Book, available at Council offices.
2. There will be a minimum of 2 adults for every 8 boys and at no time will there be less than 2 adults present.
3. Only Class 1 Bicycle Routes may be used on the 5, 10 and 15 Mile Rides. Class 2 Routes may be used (with proper approval of HAT Rep) by Webelos Groups on the 20 Mile ride, only when used to reach a camp from a Class 1 Route. All Routes must be pre-approved by your local HAT Representative.
4. All bicycles are to be licensed in the city of each Cub's residence.
5. All Cubs, Scouts and Scouters will be made aware of the State and Local Traffic Laws in regard to SAFE CYCLING. the leader is responsible for checking on all applicable laws. Reference: California DMV Handbook and Cycle Merit Badge Counselor.
6. All Cubs must earn the Bicycling Fitness Sports Belt Loop prior to attempting any of these rides.
7. All bicycles will be "safety checked" prior to trip by a BSA Merit Badge Counselor or local bike shop.
8. At least one adult cyclist will hold a current Red Cross Standard First Aid card or better and will carry a first aid kit.
9. Each Cub Scout must be in uniform and carry his personal equipment such as energy snack, drinking water and jacket. Each boy should have access to the following equipment: Patch Kit or inner tube, tire lever and tire pump.
10. The Trips:
 - a. This Ride must be a minimum of 5 Miles in length. This Ride earns the RED BORDERED cycling patch.
 - b. After completing the 5 Mile Ride, a second Ride of 10 Miles in length may be taken. There must be a minimum of one week between rides. This Ride earns the BRONZE BORDERED cycling patch.
 - c. After completion of the 5 and 10 Mile Rides, a ride of 15 Miles may be taken. If it has been some time since the previous two rides were taken, a warm up ride of not less than 5 miles is required prior to the 15 Mile Ride. There must be a minimum of one week between rides. This Ride earns the SILVER BORDERED cycling patch.
 - d. For the 5th Grade Webelos who have completed the 3 previous rides,, a 20 Mile Ride (2 - 10 Mile Segments) with an overnight camp may be taken. If it has been some time since the previous rides were taken, a warm up ride of not less than 5 miles is required prior to attempting this ride. This Ride earns the GOLD BORDERED cycling patch and completes the award.
11. A chase vehicle must accompany the group and the drivers must be aware of the trail access locations.



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12. Each participant must carry out his own trash and any left over by others.
13. Each Den must make an oral report at the next Pack meeting. (The National BSA office has determined that written reports by Cubs are not required, nor necessary).

Comments:

It is recommended that these trips be attempted on a DEN basis.

After a rain, trail access along flood control trails are locked. Therefore, check your local authorities regarding trail access.

Class 1 Trail information can be obtained from the L.A. County Transportation Commission, Long Beach Parks and Recreation, Orange County Dept. of Public Works and through many publications offered by your local bike shops.

A Class 1 Trail is a trail which is fully separated from traffic, such as a river bed trail.

A Class 2 Trail is a trail which is separated from traffic by a line indicating a bike lane.