



Reference Guidelines – Girl

Thank you for agreeing to provide a reference for this international opportunity. Your contribution plays a large part in the selection committee's ability to evaluate each application.

Note that ONLY Guiding Members are asked to provide a camping reference.

Complete the reference form in any of the following ways:

- Fill it in online and print it off – <http://forms.girlguides.ca/default.aspx> Use the Word version of the STG.2. It will allow you to use as much of the page as you wish for each section but please do not exceed three pages in total (including the first information page).
- Fill it in by hand. The applicant should provide you with the form to complete. You may use the entire page. Allot the space as you wish but do not attach additional sheets.
- Type or handwrite the reference portion on a separate sheet and attach. Please do not exceed three pages in total (including the first information page)

CONFIDENTIALITY: References are intended to be confidential. They should be received in one of two ways:

- Sent separately to Area/Provincial International Adviser or provincial office – applicants are requested to provide you with a stamped, addressed envelope to allow you to do this.
- Returned to the applicant in a sealed envelope signed across the flap.

The selection committee will be looking for the girl(s) best suited for this particular event. Below are some of the basic qualifications for travellers to help you in writing your reference. The applicant should also provide you with a short description of this event so that you can relate specific examples to the program being offered.

Qualifications - The applicant must:

- Be in good health and meet the physical requirements for the event
- Know how to take care of herself and her personal belongings.
- Have a knowledge and understanding of the Girl Guide program, including the Promise and Law.
- Have experience being away from her family.
- Have an understanding of, and be able to communicate to others, her knowledge of her own community, province and country.
- Be able to adapt to new situations and be open to various aspects of a new culture.
- Be willing to assume responsibilities.
- Be socially and emotionally mature and prepared for things to be different than at home.
- Be a good representative of Girl Guides of Canada-Guides du Canada.
- Possess required camping skills, if camping is involved in the event.

Suggestions for completion of Part B (page 2 of the STG.2)

- Please DO NOT use the girl's name on this page of the application.
- In the sections provided, please give your honest, detailed comments and specific examples about the applicant in the areas required. The more specific examples you can provide, the better the picture of her that the application screeners and selections committee can develop.