

# 2002 NATIONAL QUALITY UNIT AWARD



- REPORT OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR PAST CHARTER YEAR—(A)
- COMMITMENT FOR THE COMING CHARTER YEAR—(B)

Unit must achieve six of 10 objectives to qualify as a National Quality Team.  
(Four starred [\*] items are required, plus two additional items = six total.)

Team no. \_\_\_\_\_ Chartered organization \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Recharter month \_\_\_\_\_

District \_\_\_\_\_ Council \_\_\_\_\_

**(A)** **(B)**  
**Past** **coming**  
**Year** **Year** **Mark yes (Y) or no (N) in the box for each item.**

- \*1.   **Training.** The Varsity Scout team Coach will complete Varsity Scout Leader Fast Start Training and Varsity Scout Leader Fundamentals.
- \*2.   **Two-Deep Leadership.** We will have one or more assistant Coaches registered, trained, and active. One registered adult is assigned responsibility for Youth Protection training.
- \*3.   **Outdoor Activities.** The Varsity Scout team will participate in at least one organized league sport or participate in at least one ultimate adventure.
- \*4.   **On-Time Charter Renewal.** The team will complete its charter renewal before its current charter expires.
5.   **Planned Program.** Our team will conduct an annual program planning conference, publish an annual program calendar, and present it to parents at a family activity.
6.   **Service Project.** To be conducted annually, preferably for the chartered organization or the community.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Number of hours of community service performed by our youth members last year.
7.   **Boys' Life.** A subscription to *Boys' Life* will go into the homes of all our Varsity Scout members, or we will have a 10 percent increase over a year ago.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Number of Varsity Scout homes subscribing at the beginning of the current team charter year.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Number of Varsity Scout homes subscribing at the beginning of the next team charter year.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Percentage increase in subscriptions over a year ago, *or*  
\_\_\_\_\_ Percentage of Varsity Scout homes subscribing at the beginning of the next charter year.
8.   **Varsity Scout Letter.** Fifty percent or more of our Varsity Scouts will earn a Varsity Scout letter.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Number of Varsity Scouts at the beginning of the current team charter year.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Number of these Varsity Scouts who will earn a Varsity Scout letter during the charter year.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Percentage of these Varsity Scouts who will earn a Varsity Scout letter during the charter year.
9.   **Membership.** We will renew our charter with an equal or greater number of youth registered over a year ago.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Number of Varsity Scouts registered at the beginning of the current charter year.  
\_\_\_\_\_ Number of Varsity Scouts who will register at the beginning of the next charter year.
10.   **Youth Leadership.** The team captain and squad leaders will participate in youth leadership training at least once a year.

Achieved National Quality Unit Award past charter year (A)  Yes  No

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ Coach

**Instructions.** Use ballpoint pen.

**Top Sheet.** Council copy. Attach to National Quality Unit Recognition Form, No. 14-238Q, and submit to local council service center.

**Bottom Sheet.** Unit copy. Back contains interpretation for Varsity Quality Team Award.

## Major Features

- Recognitions and commitment goals are established on the team charter year.
- Each team signs up at the beginning of its charter year and qualifies for the award at the end of its charter year.
- During the charter renewal meeting, a review is conducted by a council representative, usually a commissioner, to determine if the team qualifies as a National Quality Unit for the past year and to make commitments for the coming year.

### **Recognition—Units with December charter expirations are the first to use the new year's forms and recognitions.**

*For teams.* Pennant streamer for flagpole or room display (no charge) and plaques for selected adults.

*For individuals.* All Varsity Scouts and adults of a team qualifying for the Varsity Quality Team Award are eligible to wear a recognition emblem on their uniform, and a quality pin on civilian clothing. (Emblems, pins, plaques, and streamers can be ordered from the local council service center.)

## INTERPRETATION OF COMMITMENTS FOR VARSITY QUALITY TEAM AWARD

Aim to achieve a "yes" on all 10 commitments. You need six to qualify for the Varsity Quality Team Award. This includes all of the four starred (\*) items, plus a minimum of any two additional items.

- \*1. **Training.** Trained leaders are an essential part of quality team operation. The new Varsity Scout Coach must complete Varsity Scout Leader Fast Start Training within 90 days of selection and registration. The Coach must have completed the Varsity Scout Leader Fundamentals course. If the unit had a trained Coach during most of the charter year, but a new Coach was selected too late to complete Varsity Scout Leader Fundamentals before charter renewal, the council may still approve this item.
- \*2. **Two-Deep Leadership.** The team must have two-deep leadership. At least one assistant Coach must be active, registered, and trained as indicated in (1) above. A registered adult in the team must be assigned responsibility to promote Youth Protection training and coordinate appropriate awareness for parents and youth members.
- \*3. **Outdoor Activities.** Use resources found in the Venture high-adventure pamphlets or the Varsity sports pamphlets.
- \*4. **On-Time Charter Renewal.** See that the charter renewal application and fees reach the local council service center before midnight of the last day of the team's charter year. Most units will want to submit their renewal at least 15 days before charter expiration to allow adequate time for processing and any unforeseen delays.
5. **Planned Program.** The team leaders conduct the annual program planning conference. After the Coach gets the team committee's support for the program, copies are shared with everyone related to the team, including parents.
6. **Service Project.** Consider your chartered organization as your first preference. A community service program is another choice. Or, if you would like to help Scouting in other countries, funds can be transmitted to your local council for the World Friendship Fund. Also, fill in the total number of hours devoted to community service efforts and projects by all youth members of your unit during the past 12 months.
7. **Boys' Life.** Set objectives for *Boys' Life* magazine. Use the spaces on the commitment sheet. It is recommended that 100 percent of your Varsity Scout team families subscribe. Part of the team's annual budget should include *Boys' Life* magazine.
8. **Varsity Scout Letter.** Set objectives using the spaces on your commitment sheet. New Varsity Scouts enrolled during the year are not figured in the percentage. Only those Varsity Scouts listed on the charter application at the beginning of the charter year are counted at the close of the charter year.

### Examples:

  10   Varsity Scouts registered at the beginning of the team charter year.

    5   Varsity Scouts earned a Varsity Scout letter.

   50   Percent of these Varsity Scouts earned a Varsity Scout letter (commitment is met).

9. **Membership.** Set objectives for membership, using the space on your commitment sheet.
10. **Youth Leadership.** Follow *Varsity Scout Leader Guidebook*, No. 34827A.

## STEPS

1. Attach the council copies of both the achievement and commitment forms to the Quality Unit Recognition Order Form, No. 14-238Q, and submit to the council service center.
2. Include National Quality Unit Award program on your Varsity Scout team committee agenda each month to check progress.