



Going Green

An environmental resource for all sections.



Introduction

To achieve your Going Green Challenge badge, complete one challenge from each of the four areas. Each area contains a variety of challenges, providing something appropriate for all ages and abilities.

Maybe you can build them into your unit meeting, or a camp or holiday. Perhaps you could get your District or Division to participate in some of the challenges together. Your relevant county advisers will be able to help if you have any queries about guiding rules or forms.

If you have your own ideas that fit into any of the areas, please feel free to use them. If you want to take your Going Green Challenge further, why not work towards an interest badge (World Issues, Seasons, Out and About, Science etc.), or complete a challenge towards a Look Wider octant.

More copies of this challenge can be downloaded from www.girlguiding-anglia.org.uk.



Earth

All about the ground, plants, food and nature.

- Explore different composting options and work out which would be best to use at home or at camp.
- Plant something and watch it grow.
- Create and/or follow a nature trail to explore the plants and animals in your area.
- Hold a ready steady cook event using only locally produced food.
- Hold a litter pick around your local area.
- Use recycled materials to create decorations, an artwork, or outfits for a fashion show.
- Find out about Fair Trade or Organic Cosmetics, possibly by inviting an in4mer to your unit to lead the activities?



Wind

All about the air, sounds, music and flight.

- Create instruments from recycled materials.
- Build a box or feeder for birds and hang it outside.
- Hold a debate on an environmental topic e.g. alternative energy sources.
- Build an airplane, ping pong ball launcher or hot air balloon from recycled materials and hold a competition to see which can travel furthest.
- Conduct a weather survey.
- Complete activities relating to the awareness of air pollution and respiratory conditions.
- Create a poem or song about the environment.



Fire

All about the sun, heat, energy and flames.

- Make a sundial or create a human sundial outside.
- Try cooking on a new or unusual heat source.
- Use cycling or wind up power to charge a phone, light, torch etc or make a clock with lemons or potatoes.
- Plan a journey using public transport, or a trip based around environmentally friendly activities.
- Conduct a survey on how far and what transport people use to travel to school, unit meetings or camp.
- Try holding a meeting, camp or holiday using less energy (consider transport, materials, food etc.)



Water

All about taps, ponds, rivers and seas.

- Make a water wheel.
- Go pond dipping at a local nature reserve.
- Make your own recycled paper.
- Create a boat from recycled materials and have a race.
- Conduct a survey to show how much water you use at home or unit uses at camp, and then discuss ways to reduce this.
- Install a toilet 'hippo' in the cistern at home or in your meeting place.
- Have a taste test to see if you can tell the difference between tap, bottled and filtered water.



Going Green Challenge Badge Order Form

Once your unit has completed four challenges return this form to order your badges.

Unit: Rainbow / Brownies / Guides / Senior Section / Adult / Trefoil Guild (*Please circle*)

County: _____

Guider's name: _____

Address where badges should be sent:

Postcode: _____

Phone or email (in case of queries):

Number of badges required at £1.00 each: _____

Please add postage according to the number of badges you order:

1 - 3	£0.40
4 - 30	£1.10
31 - 50	£1.50
51 - 100	£2.45
101+	£3.45

Total amount enclosed £_____

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