

**#WORLDREADY**

THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S  
INTERNATIONAL AWARD  
CHINA

# The Award in the context of COVID-19: Temporary Changes and Further Guidance

## Brief recap on 'the why' and process

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- Clear need identified by all national award operators to temporarily change the Award requirements to ensure participants can progress through the Award and complete during COVID-19 – whilst protecting the global integrity of the Award.
- Temporary changes and further guidance on existing policy has been shared separately.
- Any query, please contact [operations@intawardchina.cn](mailto:operations@intawardchina.cn).

## Scope and time-frame

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- Strictly **temporary, time-limited** and designed to address **COVID-19 related challenges specifically** – informed what we approved and what was ‘beyond scope’
- All the temporary changes will apply from **1 May – 31 December 2020**
- Review in August with the Award team – could be extended depending on impact of pandemic
- The changes should be regarded as ‘a last resort’ and not compulsory

# What are the temporary changes? Three areas...



**Age requirements**



**Voluntary Service**



**Adventurous Journey**

**IMPORTANT:** All the changes should be read in conjunction with the further guidance on existing policy to inform best approach



## Extension beyond 25<sup>th</sup> birthday to enable completion

***For all participants due to reach their 25<sup>th</sup> birthday in the remainder of 2020; an extension will be applied enabling them to complete their Award.***

- No requirement to apply for an extension to the China National Office.
- Extension is provided on the basis that the participant cannot complete due to COVID19.
- Participants will be allowed to continue logging activities until December 31<sup>st</sup> 2021.



## Voluntary Service change

***Participants can now volunteer for family members as part of their Award activities.***

- If a participant's Voluntary Service activity becomes untenable, and volunteering online/remotely is not possible, they may change their activity to volunteering within the home, with other members of the family/living unit.
- Regular chores or other regular household responsibilities do not suffice. Needs to be SMART and meaningful.
- As with existing guidance, the Assessor for the section must not be a family member.



## Adventurous Journey temporary changes

Three main changes designed to provide alternative options for continuation:

- I. Waiving the Bronze Practice Journey and/or re-assigning a previous Practice Journey as the Qualifying Journey
- II. Recognising the Silver Practice as the Bronze Qualifier
- III. Virtual Bronze Exploration





## Adventurous Journey temporary changes

***The requirement for a Bronze Practice Journey can be waived OR where a Practice has been completed count as the Bronze Qualifying Journey.***

- The Award Coordinator / Leader is confident that the group is able to do a Qualifying Journey, based on: a thorough health and safety risk assessment of the AJ; the team demonstrating the required knowledge and skills from training and preparation; and the team having successfully come together to establish their roles.
- If a standard Practice Journey was already completed by the team, and the Supervisor believes that the AJ 15 Requirements were met and the learning outcomes for the group and individuals were achieved on that trip, that Practice Journey can be considered the Qualifying Journey.





## Adventurous Journey temporary changes

***Participants can continue to Silver and then be awarded their Bronze Award once the Silver practice AJ is completed.***

- This change will mean that Bronze participants do not need to do complete a Bronze AJ to complete their Bronze Award.
- It is designed to take pressure off organisations later on in the year who cannot run multiple Bronze and Silver AJs at the same time.
- Links to the existing policy regarding doing the Award at two levels.



## Adventurous Journey temporary changes

### *Implementation of the Virtual Bronze Exploration*

- Designed primarily for those young people needing to complete Bronze in the coming months – and for organisations needing to recruit the next cohort of Bronze.
- Potential for long-term use for planning / preparation and for young people with specific medial needs.
- ***NB:*** *This is still in development and full details will be shared in due course. It is intended to be operational by the end of May.*



## Adventurous Journey temporary changes

Further changes for where AJs can be delivered:

- ✓ AJs may be organised in a familiar environment.
- ✓ It is permitted for participants to use a home, school gym, etc. as accommodation during Adventurous Journeys; or for a group's accommodation to be physically separated, e.g. participants all sleep-in separate tents or accommodation.

## Other key points and next steps

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- Further guidance and clarity on existing Award Requirements
- Please note the recommendations that we could not approve – restricted to COVID19
- We are working through changes required on the ORB.
- For more information or to discuss how these changes may affect your Award Center, please contact the China NAO.

## For more information:

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- For more information, please click the link below to download the documents about the temporary changes details :

<http://www.intawardchina.cn/COVID19special/info.aspx?itemid=217>

- If you have any enquiries, please email us [operations@intawardchina.cn](mailto:operations@intawardchina.cn)

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爱丁堡公爵国际奖在全球新冠肺炎疫情期间：临时调整和进一步指引

# 简要回顾临时调整的原因和流程

- 这次调整由全球所有爱丁堡公爵国际奖机构一致提出，旨在确保参加者在新冠肺炎期间能够达到目标，完成爱奖活动——在质量上保证全球统一。
- 对现行政策的临时调整和进一步指导意见同时分享。
- 如有任何疑问，请联系爱丁堡公爵国际奖中国区  
电邮: [operations@intawardchina.cn](mailto:operations@intawardchina.cn).



## 范围和时限

- 这次我们批准的新内容和“超出范围”的内容，严格来说是临时的，有时间限制的，旨在解决新冠肺炎疫情相关的挑战。
- 所有临时调整将于2020年5月1日开始生效直至同年12月31日
- 全球奖项团队的代表将于8月评估再次评估相关调整-可能会根据疫情的影响而延长。
- 这些变化应被视为“最后方案”，而不是强制性的。

# 有那些临时的调整？ 以下三个方面…



年龄要求



志愿服务



户外探索

重要提示：所有更改都应 与现有政策进一步指导一起擦模考，以提供最佳方法



## 年龄要求

奖项能延长至25岁生日后完成

所有将在2020年剩余时间内满25岁生日的参与者，  
均可以延长时间完成爱奖。

- 无需向爱丁堡公爵国际奖中国区办公室申请延期。
- 这项调整是对新冠状肺炎疫情影响而无法完成奖项的应对措施。
- 合适使用这条款的参加者可继续在ORB记录奖项活动，直至2021年12月31日。



## 志愿服务要求调整

### 参与者现在可以为家庭成员服务, 作为志愿服务活动

- 如果参加者受疫情影响没法进行志愿服务活动, 并且无法在线/远程志愿服务, 他们可以将活动改为在家庭/生活单位为家庭成员服务。
- 注意: 常规的家务活或其他常规的家务活是不够的。服务需要遵守SMART目标和有意义的原则。
- 与现有规则一样, 该部分的评估员不得是家庭成员。



## 户外探索的临时改变

三个主要变化旨在为后续工作提供备选方案：

- I. 免除铜奖练习之旅和/或将先前练习旅程改为资格旅程
- II. 将银奖练习之旅视为铜奖资格旅程
- III. 铜奖在线虚拟户外探索



## 户外探索的临时改变

### 免除铜奖练习旅程和/或 将先前练习旅程改为资格旅程

- 奖项协调员/辅导员可以自行确定团队是否能够一次完成资格旅程，其依据是：对户外探索进行全面的健康和安全风险评估；团队展示了培训和准备所需的知识和技能；团队成功地团结起来，确立了他们的角色。
- 如果团队已经完成了一个标准的练习旅程，户外探索督导认为满足了户外探索15个要求，并且团队和个人的学习成果在该旅程中实现，则该练习旅程可以被视为资格旅程。



## 户外探索的临时调整

### 将银奖练习之旅视为铜奖资格旅程

- 这一变化将意味着铜奖参加者不需要完成铜奖的户外探索资格项目, 就能完成铜奖挑战。
- 这项临时变更目的是为了**避免所有铜奖及银奖的户外探索积压到下半年**, 减轻机构组织不同类型户外探索项目的压力。
- 链接到有关在两个级别进行奖项的现有政策。





# 户外探索的临时改变

## 铜奖在线虚拟户外探索

- 主要为那些需要在未来几个月内获得铜奖的年轻人和需要招募下一批铜奖的机构而设计。
- 这一项也会作为奖项内容长期研发/规划当中, 尤其为特殊医疗需求的年轻人考虑。
- 注: 这仍在开发中, 所有细节将在适当时候分享。计划在5月底投入使用。



## 户外探索的临时改变

有关户外探索项目展开的地点要求的临时变更

- ✓ 户外探索项目可以在熟悉的环境中进行。
- ✓ 允许参加者使用家庭、学校体育馆等作为住宿进行户外探索项目；或选择一个住宿地点, 团队可以被隔离的, 例如参加者都睡在单独的帐篷。

## 其他要点和下一步

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- 针对爱奖协调员/导师及参加者的文件, 我们已经整理好一同分享了。同时您也可以在网站上下载或者分享:  
<http://www.intawardchina.cn/COVID19special/info.aspx?itemid=217>
- 更多信息或咨询, 请联系爱丁堡公爵国际奖中国区办公室  
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