



## Crossing the Bridge to industry recognised Qualifications

Youth and adult members of Scouting in Australia can achieve nationally recognised Vocational Education and Training (VET) outcomes including Qualifications, industry recognised Skill Sets and individual Units of Competency. Both the award scheme for youth members and training for adult members have links to VET outcomes.

In some instances the gap between either the award scheme or adult training is very small and easy to get across. Many adventurous activities can easily be turned into outdoor recreation Units of Competency. Once you are on the trail it is just a matter of choosing the path that crosses the small bridge between Scouting and VET outcomes.



The Certificate III in Business which is available to Venturer Scouts, Rover Scouts and Leaders is an example where the gap between the award scheme or adult training and a VET outcome is larger. While sometimes the gap is larger, the bridge between Scouting and VET outcomes is strong, recognisable and has a lot of people passing across it easily.

Some Scouting outcomes, such as the Rover Scout award scheme are not as easily bridged to arrive with VET outcomes. This does not mean that the bridge is impassable, in actual fact the journey across this bridge to achieve a Qualification may require some more effort, but the reward at the other end may be multiple Qualifications.



Scouts Australia Institute of Training Assessors rely on the evidence that you already have to prove your experience, (photos, logbooks, award scheme record book, training certificates, resume, etc.). The little bit extra required to bridge the gap, may be as small as having a conversation with an Assessor from the Scouts Australia Institute of Training.

Further information about the Qualifications available can be found at;  
<http://training.scouts.com.au/Qualifications>