

**LAW ENFORCEMENT EXPLORING ASSOCIATION
CERTIFICATION APPLICATION**

Definition: A Law Enforcement Exploring Association is defined as any organization, directed by adults, that has organized itself for the purpose of sponsoring meetings, training, competition or other activities for Law Enforcement Explorers, Advisors, adult leaders and others using the name, or any variation thereof, Law Enforcement Exploring or Learning for Life and/or any of its program resources or other proprietary assets.

Certification: Certification conveys formal recognition that an association is operating in compliance with established Learning for Life/Law Enforcement Exploring policies and procedures. Certified associations benefit from enhanced program support from Learning for Life/Law Enforcement Exploring.

Certification Requirements:

1. Each association must have a constitution and/or by-laws that clearly identify its mission, purpose, organizational and administrative structure, and membership requirements.
2. The constitution and/or by-laws of each association must not include any article that is inconsistent with Learning for Life/Law Enforcement Exploring policies and procedures. Further, the constitution must include language that addresses the following:
 - a) Membership will not be restricted based on color, race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, ethnic background, economic status, or political persuasion.
 - b) All members of the organization will be registered with Learning for Life as adult leaders.
 - c) At least one professional Learning for Life staff representative from the office that serves the jurisdiction in which the association has its official address will be permitted to serve as an ex-officio member of the organization.
 - d) The association will comply with all current and any future Learning for Life/Law Enforcement Exploring policies and procedures.
 - e) The association will coordinate with the appropriate Learning for Life offices when any activity or event involves multiple Learning for Life jurisdictions.
3. The association will, to the extent possible, avoid planning activities that conflict with national conference.

Process for Certification:

1. Review and comply with the above certification requirements.
2. Complete and mail this form, along with a copy of the association constitution and/or by-laws, to Law Enforcement Exploring, 1325 West Walnut Hill Lane, Irving, Texas 75038.

Association Name: _____

Mailing address: _____
Street

City State Zip

Website Address: _____

Name of president/chief executive officer: _____

Telephone: (____) _____ E-mail: _____

The signature of the president/chief executive officer on this application attests to compliance with the above captioned certification requirements.

(Signature of association president/chief executive officer)

(Date)