

How do the recent changes in the Cub Scout program affect how I stripe my Arrow of Light™ Award Arrow?

While there are no “official” guidelines issued by the Boy Scouts of America for striping an Arrow of Light award arrow, it is customary to apply color bands to the arrow shaft to symbolize each scout’s accomplishments. Our kit includes a planning worksheet (to make the process of figuring out which scout gets which color bands easy for you) plus a sticker sheet which includes all of the appropriately sized adhesive color bands to apply to each arrow shaft.

Here’s what you need to know for the 2017/2018 year:

Your scouts started their careers under the “old” program and achieved Tiger and Wolf before the new Adventure based program existed. So, our color band planning worksheet on the following page corresponds to the old program for those 2 ranks. (For example, silver and gold arrow points are still included on the arrow for Wolf because your scouts earned these under the old program.)

Your scouts completed their careers and achieved Bear, Webelos and Arrow of Light under the “new” program. So, our color band planning worksheet on the following page corresponds to the new program for those 3 ranks.

For future years, we will continue to modify our worksheet to reflect the transition to the new program.