

# OUTDOOR BOX

## ICE DECORATIONS

Outdoor activities are at the heart of Scouting.

This activity is for Scouts but any section or leaders could take part too !



### Scout Ice Decorations

#### What you need:

- Water
- Decorations (Pom-poms etc.)
- Ice Cube Trays (shaped ones are best)
- String
- Scissors
- Freezer

#### How to make it:

Ice decorations make a great look in the garden, especially when the sunlight bounces off them whilst they gently spin in the wind.

1. Carefully fill ice cube trays with water.
2. Add some brightly coloured decorations such as Pom-poms or pieces of ribbon.
3. Cut a 10cm length of string and tie a knot at the ends to make it into a loop.
4. Place the knotted end into the ice cube tray, gently submerging it under the water with a finger.
5. Place in a freezer until frozen solid (preferably overnight).
6. Hang outside on low tree branches to display.

#### Greater things for the Great Outdoors:

Why not make some ice decorations using natural decorations inside such as leaves and seeds.

This is more tricky and will require you to half fill the ice cube trays and freeze, then add the decorations and water (pouring it slowly into the tray so it does not disturb the decoration) and add the string hanger.

Replace in the freezer to complete the process.

**Scissors / Sharp Objects:** Supervise young people appropriately when using scissors.

Store all sharp objects securely, out of the reach of young people.

**Important** – It is essential that any non-biodegradable decorations that are used are collected as soon as the decorations melt to ensure wildlife is not harmed.

