

Troop 935 Advancement Guidelines

We believe that a Scout should receive recognition for his achievements.

Advancement sets a pattern of setting positive goals and reaching them throughout life. Even though it's not one of the primary aims of Scouting, advancement is a natural byproduct when your Scouting experience is acquainting you with the BSA ideals, the patrol method, the outdoors, association with adults, personal growth, leadership development, and the Scout uniform. It's easy to advance by following these four basic steps:

1. Learning
2. Testing
3. Review
4. Recognition

Rank Advancement

The requirements for the ranks of Tenderfoot through First Class prepare a Scout to take full advantage of all that Scouting has to offer. Star, Life, and Eagle requirements focus on service to others and developing leadership skills.

Requirements for each rank are outlined in the Boy Scout Handbook. A Scout can work on advancement requirements with his parents, family members, other Scouts or Adult Scout leaders. A Scout can do this on his own, in patrol or troop meetings, or during other troop functions such as campouts. While we try and provide opportunities for a Scout to complete rank requirements at each troop meeting, the reality is that depending upon the meeting activities sometimes the Scout may get one or two requirements signed off, the next time he may not get any. We try and prepare each Scout for upcoming opportunities to earn advancement requirements. But the Scout must take the initiative by attending and 'be prepared' to take advantage of the opportunity.

Scout skills cannot be mastered by performing them just once. A Scout will have many opportunities to practice each skill, and he will be thoroughly tested on each requirement before it is signed off. In addition, expect to practice each skill repeatedly, even after it has been signed off. As he progresses, he will also have opportunities to teach these skills to less experienced Scouts, which will further reinforce his knowledge and skill in addition to teaching him other important skills at the same time.

As he completes each requirement, he will be tested and signed off in the back section of his handbook (pp. 438 - 449) by his Patrol Leader or another Scout of First Class rank or higher (which means he must remember to have his book with him to get requirements signed off!). Our approach is that of a 'Boy Led Troop', and requires that other Scouts teach and test the younger Scout for advancement requirements. We limit any adult signing off on requirements unless the situation dictates it. Infrequent exceptions may be made in the case of an adult leader teaching skills to several Scouts, but every effort should be made to have an older Scout teach and test a younger Scout for his advancement needs.

In great contrast from Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts requires each Scout to take advantage of the advancement opportunities available and express the initiative to ask for someone to test him when he is ready ****and NOT until his requirement is signed and dated in his book is it considered complete****. While the junior and adult leaders will encourage advancement, it is up to him to seize the opportunity to learn new skills. Periodically, he will need to provide his book to our Troop Committee Advancement Chair to document his advancement, but each Scout should record his service hours, campouts, troop activities, and leadership positions in his handbook.

He must earn the ranks in order, but he may complete requirements for Tenderfoot through First Class at any time (for example, he can complete a First Class requirement before finishing his Tenderfoot requirements, but must earn Tenderfoot rank before being awarded Second Class and then First Class ranks). By comparing the requirements of each rank, you will see that each rank's requirements are more difficult than the previous. So we prefer that a Scout will work on one rank's requirements at a time so that he may proceed through his First Class in a timely manner.

Scout Spirit

What is Scout Spirit? For each rank, Scout Spirit is one of the final requirements for a boy and the Scoutmaster will discuss it with each Scout and if satisfactory, will sign off on it during the Scoutmaster Conference. We have set the following guidelines for measuring this criterion. Scouts are taught that they are Scouts twenty-four hours a day: the values of Scouting are not something to be turned off at the end of the Scout meetings. Because of this, Scouts will be evaluated based on some of the following, among other things:

- ✓ Living the Scout Oath and Law;
- ✓ Contributing to the Troop;
- ✓ Contributing to the Community;
- ✓ Helping younger Scouts grow and learn;
- ✓ Showing maturity and respect for others.

Something to think about pertaining to Scout Spirit: Scout spirit doesn't mean how many little old ladies you help across the street or hold the door open for. It does not mean how many meetings or campouts a Scout attends or how many merit badges he earns. Scout spirit means that we live by the Scout Oath and Law twenty-four hours a day and uphold the pledge we make as scouts to hold ourselves up to a higher standard, or as the Hebrew National Hotdog people say, "We hold ourselves up to a higher authority." So don't just wait for the obvious situation such as the little old lady needing help to cross the street to exercise your scout spirit, create your own situations to live the Scouting way and practice Scout spirit twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. By doing so we all answer to a higher authority.

Service Hours

For different ranks there are requirements that the Scout performs Service Hours. Service Hours are intended to just that – serve others. Serve his neighbor, his Church, his community, his fellow Scout's Eagle Project, his younger brother's Cub Pack. Any service to others where the Scout is doing it in application of 'to help other people at all times' is what we are after here. Obviously it is not intended to include tips or wages, nor service projects benefiting our Council's Seven Ranges Reservation intended for Pipestone requirements. There are Service Project forms available on our Troop website and from the Troop Scribe that the Scout needs to fill out. The supervisor for that service needs to sign the form. The Scout also needs to put some thought into what he learned from the experience. This part can be very interesting and enlightening to read! He will need to keep that form to provide to the Troop Advancement Chair and will be discussed during his Scoutmaster Conference.

Scoutmaster Conferences

A Scout meets regularly with the Scoutmaster to discuss his activity in the troop and his understanding and practice of the ideals of Scouting. This Scoutmaster conference is used to discuss goals and accomplishments, and is the second to last requirement for each rank advancement.

However, a Scout does not have to wait until he has completed the requirements for a rank in order to ask for a Scoutmaster conference. He may talk with the Scoutmaster at any time that is convenient to both of them. However, for a Scoutmaster conference to count toward rank advancement it must take place after all other requirements are complete and before the Board of Review. At this required conference the Scoutmaster will also help a Scout determine whether or not he is ready to go before the Board of Review.

Boards of Review

The very last requirement for advancement is the Troop Board of Review, which is performed by the Troop Advancement Committee. After the Scoutmaster conference, a Scout will need to contact the Troop Advancement Chair to request a Board of Review for his rank. Boards of Review are normally held once a month, and are composed of three to six registered members of the troop committee. The Board of Review will not include the Scoutmaster, Assistant Scoutmasters, or direct family members.

The purpose of the Board of Review is not to retest him but rather to ensure that he has completed all of the requirements, to determine the quality of his troop experience, and to encourage him to advance toward the next rank. There may be a Board of Review called for a Scout even when he is not ready for the next rank. The purpose of this is to check his progress and to see how things are going for him in the troop and his patrol. The Troop Advancement Chairman may schedule such a Board of Review when they feel that an extended period has passed since a Scout's last Board of Review.

Once scheduled for a Board of Review, a Scout should attend with his Boy Scout Handbook and in his *full* Class A uniform. At the beginning of the review, a member of the board will bring him into the room, introduce the board, and have him seated. During the review the board will discuss his development along his trail to Eagle, ask questions about skills that were required for his particular rank, and evaluate him in terms of troop activities and readiness for the next rank. It is also a time for him to ask any questions and give feedback to the troop committee about activities and his Scouting experience in the troop and his patrol. At the end of the review, he will be asked to leave the room while the board discusses his qualifications. They will then call him back into the room to inform him either of his approval for the next rank or what additional actions he must take to qualify.

After passing the Board of Review, he will be recognized in front of the troop and receive his new rank patch usually at the next troop meeting. He will be formally recognized for his rank advancements and merit badges in front of family and friends during a periodic ceremony referred to as a Court of Honor. At this time he will be presented with a wallet-sized certificate card. We schedule three to four Courts of Honor each year. Parents, other family members, and friends are invited and encouraged to attend all Courts of Honor.

After reaching the rank of Life Scout, a Scout will meet with one of the adult leaders in the troop. At this meeting he will receive his 'Life to Eagle Packet' and discuss ideas and suggestions for his situation pertaining to earning his Eagle Scout rank. One of the requirements will be his Eagle Service Project. This project must conform to special guidelines that have been outlined by the Boy Scouts of America. The Scoutmaster, troop Advancement Chairman, an Eagle Project Advisor from the District Advancement Committee, as well as the benefiting organization, must approve a project before it can begin.

Merit Badges

Earning merit badges allows a Scout ways to explore many fields, helps him round out skills, and introduces him to subjects that will perhaps become lifelong interests or a rewarding career. There are more than 100 merit badges to choose from. A Scout may earn any merit badge at any time, with the condition of first receiving Scoutmaster approval (more later on this). HOWEVER, there are a few conditions that apply. We require a Scout to be at least through the Second Class rank requirements before pursuing merit badges, except for at summer camp or other special events as approved by the Scoutmaster. We believe a Scout should concentrate on achieving the rank of First Class before devoting much time to working on merit badges. The goal of earning First Class in the First Year should keep a Scout plenty busy! Note: Some merit badges are more advanced and have a higher difficulty level than others. Just as an example, it is not reasonable to accept that an 11-year-old Scout can pursue Environmental Science Merit Badge and be able to meet the requirements of adequately explaining some of the advanced concepts required to earn a merit badge such as this. There are many merit badges that require a maturity level of an older Scout. However, there are many other merit badges that are very suitable for younger Scouts and are perfect for getting started without being overwhelming. If the Scoutmaster feels a Scout is not ready to pursue such a higher-level merit badge, he will politely encourage him to take on one that is better suited for his current abilities. Please respect his opinion and do NOT try and change his mind. The last thing the Scoutmaster wishes to do is to cut off a Scout's enthusiasm to earn anything. However, there are times when a Scout needs to work on challenges that are appropriate with his age and maturity level. Put it on hold for a year or so and come back to it later. Holding off working on such a merit badge will not hurt anything and will certainly improve the learning experience of the Scout when he is ready to take it on. While the Scout may be somewhat disappointed, a parent's support will greatly help the matter.

In general, we do not approve, endorse, or participate in 'group merit badges.' Our concern here is that the group will earn it, but Scouts in the group haven't done what is expected individually to earn the badge. While it is our role as parents, adult leaders, and junior leaders to teach and assist Scouts in learning the things they need for advancement and merit badges, the ultimate responsibility lies on the shoulders of the Scout to complete the process and get it signed off himself. Throughout the year, we will teach selected merit badges with the assistance of parents and other volunteers and encourage following through and meeting with counselors, but that is all. We will only sign off on a merit badge when the Scout sits down with a counselor and shows by the counselor's signature on his card that he has met the requirements. Sitting in the back of the room, just being there, or listening to another Scout answer all the counselor's questions doesn't meet any of that intent. Sitting down with a counselor is the fundamental process of learning any merit badge and is a required part of that process. Please respect that incredibly important part of this and understand the purpose. In the end, it will greatly enhance the Scout's growth experience.

However, it is acceptable for a number of Scouts to work together on a merit badge, but they need to make their own arrangements to meet with a counselor to earn it. Safe Scouting requirements will allow two boys to meet with a counselor on a merit badge, however, the counselor will require each to meet the requirements in a way that shows they are prepared to earn it separately. We will even put aside time during meetings for study groups. As with the lower rank advancements, we will provide opportunities to learn parts of merit badges and encouragement to meet with counselors to earn the remaining parts of merit badges, but it is ultimately up to the Scout to act on finishing the requirements and earning the badge himself.

While we do encourage parents to be registered as Merit Badge Counselors for Scouts, there is a District policy against fellow Troop members from being counselors for their own Scouts. Our Troop Advancement Chair assigns counselors for merit badges, the Scout does not select them himself. The assigned counselor will not be a family member or member of Troop 935. The purpose of this

ruling is one that may seem too rigid, but the lesson is very valuable for the boy. He will be assigned a counselor of which he does not know. He needs to contact this person, introduce himself and ask for this person to meet with him at a mutually agreeable time to work on the merit badge. This person does not know the boy, has no preconceptions, biases, or otherwise knowledge of the boy, and knows only what the Scout presents when he meets with him/her. It is very difficult for anyone, much less a young boy, to call a perfect stranger and ask for help and guidance in earning something. But it is a life lesson that will be carried with him forever more, making him realize he needs other people, even complete strangers, to learn and reach his goals. It can also open doors to friendships and mentoring relationships with adults that support Scouting. They may have common interests in hobbies or professions that the Scout is interested in learning more about and may otherwise never experience. The networking possibilities are endless for special events of the hobby or profession, summer or part time jobs, reference letters, co-op possibilities in college, etc...

A Scout can find information about merit badge requirements in the Boy Scout Handbook, the appropriate merit badge book (or pamphlet), the current year's Boy Scout Requirements book, or <http://www.usscouts.org/mb/mbindex.asp>. Some older merit badge books are available in our troop library. *Caution:* there are significant updates going on to all merit badge requirements, some of these changes are greater than others. Make sure the book he is using reflects the latest requirements (as listed at the US Scouts website above); *even* some of the books on sale at the Council Scout Shop may not be current! When he is finished using a merit badge book that you own, we encourage donating them to the troop library for other Scouts' use.

Here are the procedural steps to earning a merit badge, which must be followed by each Scout:

1. Review the list of merit badges and select one you would like to work on. Look at your advancement needs to see if you need elective merit badges or Eagle Required merit badges. Go to www.MeritBadge.org and review the requirements of merit badges that catch your interests of hobbies, maybe a profession, or one you need to earn from the required list. Narrow down your list of merit badges and finally select one to work on.
2. Get a blue merit badge card from the Troop Advancement Chairman or Scoutmaster. In ink, not pencil, completely fill in your name, address, and the name of the merit badge and other information before asking the Scoutmaster to sign it, as shown in the example on page 5. If it is not filled out properly, he will not sign it. **DO NOT** meet with a merit badge counselor and present them with a blue card that is not completely filled out. He will not allow you to proceed, will send you home, and will be greatly aggravated at you for not 'Being Prepared' and wasting his time.
3. Contact the Troop Advancement Chairman to get the name and phone number of a qualified counselor for that Merit Badge. But **DO NOT** write in the counselor's information on the blue card at least until you have a confirmed appointment. If the counselor is not able to work with you for whatever reasons, you will need to get another counselor from the Troop Advancement Chairman and would have to waste another week, or longer, to get another blue card. Many counselors will be more than willing to fill that information out themselves anyway. (*Note: the Scoutmaster of this Troop is the merit badge counselor for Camping, Hiking, and Cooking merit badges. You will need to contact him to set up a meeting time to sit down and review your requirements; just as you would with any other counselor*).
4. Call the counselor **BEFORE STARTING TO WORK ON THE MERIT BADGE** to tell them you would like to talk to them about working on the merit badge you have selected. Some phone etiquette: If you get an answering machine, speaking very loudly, slowly, and clearly, state your name. Spell it out if you have a unique name: "Hello, my name is Billy Newscout, N-E-W-S-C-O-U-T." State why you are calling: "I am calling to talk to you about working with me on Rabbit

Raising Merit Badge.” State your phone number for the counselor to call you back: “If you can call me back at your convenience at 330-987-6543, I’d greatly appreciate it.” State your phone number once again: “That’s 330-987-6543, Billy Newscout, thanks, good-bye.” Always be cordial and respectful. These people are willing to give of their time and have much to teach you about the topic you are interested in. Be grateful and appreciative for their time. If you don’t hear back from the counselor within a couple days, call again, and if you get the recording leave the same message all over again. After a few more days, if you still haven’t heard back from the counselor, call the Troop Advancement Chairman and get the name of another counselor. Start all over again.

5. Once you get the counselor on the phone, let them know you are starting to work on a merit badge and review with them any special questions you have about the requirements or get any approvals you need prior to starting. Most counselors will have you call them back when you have completed your work and are ready to sign off on the merit badge. However, some counselors will require you to meet with them first to review the merit badge before you begin working on it, especially if they need to approve some of the requirements before you begin. So, better be safe than sorry and ALWAYS call the counselor before you start working on it.
6. Try and set up a meeting location that is suitable to both of you. Along with a buddy, another Scout, or a family member, meet with the counselor. NEVER, NEVER, NEVER, NEVER,..... NEVER, go to meet the counselor in a location where you will be one-on-one with the counselor. Suggestions would be meeting at a McDonalds, Dairy Queen, or even the Jackson Library small meeting rooms. You could invite the counselor to come to your house when a parent will be home. You can meet with the counselor at McDonaldsville Church during our meeting time if needed. But NEVER go to the counselor’s home, work place, or other location where no one else may be present. However, if there is absolutely no way to avoid it, as it pertains to the merit badge, make sure you have a parent, a buddy, or another adult with you. See your Scoutmaster or talk to your parents if this is a problem or you have concerns about it – before you go. You should always arrive already wearing your Class A uniform (not just pulling it on over a t-shirt as the counselor answers the door). Make a good first impression to the counselor by looking sharp and prepared. Appearing otherwise would be disrespectful to the importance of the merit badge process and the counselor may very well tell you to come back when you are ready to take it seriously. Once you successfully meet with the counselor, they will explain the requirements for the merit badge, answer any questions you have & help you get started. Another reason you need to contact the counselor immediately is if that particular merit badge is going to have the requirements changed, then IF you have contacted the counselor, then you are ‘grandfathered’ in under the old requirements. If you have NOT contacted the counselor, and the requirements change, you will be subject to the new requirements and time spent on the ‘old’ requirements will be lost. There is a determined schedule that BSA national has for changing merit badge requirements. We will have the information available for the boys on the Troop website.
7. Work on the badge requirements until you complete them, meeting with the counselor in a safe environment, whenever necessary – sometimes frequent meetings are needed. You must complete the stated requirements and satisfy the standards of each merit badge. The merit badge counselor may *encourage* you to do more than the requirements state but they may **not** require it. If you feel the counselor is getting a little carried away with the requirements, again, see your Scoutmaster about it. Likewise, do not expect the counselor to ‘take it easy’ on you for requirements, or for them to accept requirements that you did incidentally when visiting Aunt Mildred a couple years ago. Be ready to do the requirements as they are spelled out and discussed in the merit badge book. Ask the counselor for clarifications when you are not sure. A great idea would be to have

your parent or buddy give you a practice run over the requirements before you meet with the counselor.

8. YOU (not the counselor, Scoutmaster, or Advancement Chairman) keep the merit badge card until you have fully completed the requirements and the counselor has signed the card. The counselor should write on the card each requirement number you have earned. If you lose this card, you will have to start the badge over unless the counselor is willing and able to vouch for what you already completed. 'Partials': If you should not finish a merit badge at summer camp or change counselors after beginning on it, for any reason, it is up to the new counselor whether or not they will accept the work you did with the previous counselor. Again, you hang onto that blue card until you get the merit badge completed.
9. After you complete the merit badge the counselor signs your merit badge card. They will tear off the counselor's section and return the remaining two-thirds of the card to you. Bring your portion of the card to the Scoutmaster so that he may sign it again, and then finally deliver it to the Troop Advancement Chairman, whom will take the card. The merit badge certificate card, Scout section of the blue card, and the merit badge patch will be presented to you at the next Court of Honor. The troop section is turned into Council for records needs.

Record Keeping

Advancement records are kept in three places - the Council office, the Troop Advancement Chairman, and yourself. The Council office keeps records supplied to them by the troop Advancement Chairman, who also keeps copies of these records for the troop. You will receive three kinds of documents that you need to **KEEP IN A SAFE PLACE** forever and ever! These documents are: your Scout Handbook with requirements signed off, your portion of completed blue merit badge cards, and the wallet-sized certificate cards for rank advancement, merit badge completion, special training, mile swim, etc.... Make sure all of them are signed or initialed by the appropriate Scout leaders. With the exception of the Totin' Chit (which should be on you at all times), all of the cards can be safely kept in plastic protector pages, which are designed for baseball and other sports cards (available at places such as Wal-Mart). **IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT YOU KEEP THESE DOCUMENTS IN A SAFE PLACE AND DO NOT LOSE THEM!!!** And blue cards will not survive the clothes washer! If it should happen that there is a discrepancy or missing records, your personal records are your most important ally in proving what you completed and when.

Conclusion

Scouting, like life, is a journey. Our ultimate goal of a Scout reaching the Eagle Scout Rank is as close to a sign of success that we have to determine that a young man has learned many of the important things that we try and cram down his throat in the few years we actually have any influence on them. The wonderful and exciting opportunities available to young people today are greater than ever, but so are the negative challenges and dangerous distractions. Scouting offers young men literally millions of opportunities to learn the life skills needed to become strong and successful leaders, individuals, spouses, and even parents themselves. The Aims of Scouting and the Methods of Scouting help contribute to a foundation that is in greater need by our society all the time.

We have to be aware of a few things as we monitor advancement in Scouting. It needs to be slow but steady. Statistics from BSA show that the 'First Class in the First Year' benchmark improves retention, future advancement, and success rates of earning the Eagle Scout Rank. But that mold may not fit each Scout. Some Scouts are late bloomers and may take time for them to find their comfort role in Scouts before they excel. A Scout's journey is not a straight line, and no two Scouts will take

the same path. The first one to the finish line (the Eagle Scout Award) does NOT win. A Scout's journey will be a long and winding road, with ups and downs, some side trips, but never can include any shortcuts. While a young Scout's excitement to advance and accomplish may be great to see, he may need to be slowed to make sure he is maximizing his learning as he is going along his journey. We will not rush a boy through advancement just to meet arbitrary goals that may not fit the boy's needs. The Scoutmaster will appreciate parents not pushing their son too hard and instead exercising restraint by allowing a boy to find his own way in Scouting at his own pace. Encourage setting realistic goals that allow him to take the time to mature as he accomplishes rank advancements. Parents that have provided strong but patient encouragement, support, and guidance to a young man will be much more appreciated years later in contrast to the spite of having a parent's foot firmly planted up his rear pushing him through advancement. As you are well aware, the parents' support and encouragement is imperative to a boy's success in any activity; it is here as well. But the boy must want to progress and advance. This is something that the boy must decide on his own, and then DO on his own – we can't do it for him. Without it, he will not be earning the award for himself, but doing it just to get someone off his back. Scouting and the Eagle Scout rank shouldn't be looked at as just another 'check-box' on a college application. It needs to be a part of a balanced life, and that can't happen when a boy zooms to his Eagle in three or so short years. Be involved in and support your son in Scouts, but also let him get out and do things on his own. Being away from Mom & Dad every now and then is as much of the Scouting journey to experience as well.

Even after earning one's Eagle Scout, the Scouting adventure doesn't end there. There are many opportunities still available to continue challenging a young man in the Scouting environment. The Order of the Arrow provides Scouting opportunities for a Scout as a youth until he turns the age of 21. At the time a young man is trying to find his way in life after high school, Scouting can still provide a cornerstone and direction when challenges and distractions can be at their greatest. As most past Scouts can attest, Scouting can become a way of life, not just another activity for Mom and Dad to drop Junior off at. So strap up your hiking boots and grab your water bottle, you've got a great adventure ahead of you!

RECOMMENDED READING: Boy Scout Handbook (No. 33105); Current year's Boy Scout Requirements (No. 33215); Merit badge books

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Information for Applicant

- A merit badge application can be approved only by a registered merit badge counselor.
- You must have a buddy with you (Scout buddy system) at each meeting with the merit badge counselor.
- Turn in your approved application to your unit leader. You will be awarded the merit badge emblem and certificate at a suitable occasion.

Information for Counselor

- Merit badge applications must be signed in advance by the applicant's unit leader.
- The Scout must have his buddy (Scout buddy system) in attendance at all instructional sessions.
- You may not change any requirement, but you may share your knowledge or experience that will make the counseling more interesting and valuable.

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Counselor Initial							
Date of Approval							
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APPLICATION FOR MERIT BADGE

Name Your name!

Address Your address!

City Your city!

is a registered

Boy Scout Varsity Scout Explorer

of Troop No. 935
Troop, team, post, ship

District Westark

Council Buckeye

and is qualified to begin working for merit badge noted on the reverse side.

 date Have Scoutmaster sign here

 Date Signature of Unit Leader

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

No. 34124 1996 Printing

The applicant has personally appeared before me and demonstrated to my satisfaction that he has met all requirements for the (please print):

 Name of Merit Badge
Merit Badge

 LEAVE BLANK
Name of Counselor

 LEAVE BLANK
Address of Counselor

 LEAVE BLANK
City ZIP Code

 LEAVE BLANK
Telephone number of Counselor

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Signature of counselor Date

Checked and recorded:

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Date Initials

Certificate and badge presented: LEAVE BLANK
Date

Applicant will turn in this portion to his unit leader for record posting.

APPLICANT'S RECORD

Name Your name!

has given me his completed application for the

 Name of Merit Badge
Merit Badge

Completed on LEAVE BLANK by

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Signature of Counselor

 Have Scoutmaster sign here AFTER completing badge
Signature of unit leader

NOTE TO BOY SCOUT, VARSITY SCOUT, OR EXPLORER: Retain this copy for your permanent records.

COUNSELOR'S RECORD

Applicant Your name!

Troop

Team Unit number: 935

Post

 Name of Merit Badge
Merit Badge

Date Completed LEAVE BLANK

Remarks:

It is suggested that the counselor keep this record for at least 1 year in case any question is raised later in regard to this award.