

NAME _____ CURRENT RANK _____

Rank Advancement: Checklist

In order to advance in Boy Scout rank, scouts need to complete the items identified on this checklist. **Before** asking the Scoutmaster for a **Scout Master’s Conference**, Please check the following items.

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| | Check that all requirements for the rank are completed, signed by a SM, and dated in your scout handbook |
| | Prepare for your Scout Master Conference: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Make sure you are familiar with the items in the (SMC) worksheet (from your scout guide book or the advancement chairman.) for the next rank; filling out the worksheet is not required for a Scoutmaster review. |
| | Schedule SMC with your Scoutmaster (Just ask and he’ll schedule one for you, maybe the same day) |
| | At the SMC, have the Scoutmaster sign & date your handbook. |

Before asking Advancement Chairman to schedule a **Board of Review (BOR)** for you, please check on the following items and take care of them.

| | | Responsible Person | Signature & date |
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| | YOU have no Troop equipment checked out, or if you do, YOU and the QM are aware of the equipment. | Quarter Master | Signature: Date |
| | You have no outstanding dues. | Treasurer | Signature: Date |
| | Ensure you have marked the requirements complete in Scouttrack for advancement with the proper dates. | Advancement Chairman | Signature: Date |
| | At least 1 week before the review, turn in: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. this sheet and 2. your scout handbook to the Advancement Chairman for review (they may not be returned for a week). | Advancement Chairman | Signature: Date |

If you have accounted for all items on the sheet, and if all items are checked off and signed, you may **sign up for a board of review**.

At the Board of Review, you will need to:

- **Dress in full Class A uniform**
- **Bring your Scout Handbook, and this form**
- **Know the Scout oath, law, outdoor code, motto, and slogan**

For Advancement Chair Use: Earliest Board of review date: _____



Eagle Rank Checklist



This Checklist can help you organize your thoughts as you work toward earning the Eagle Scout Rank. The Scout must do each requirement.

No one may add or subtract from the official requirements found in **Boy Scout Requirements** (Pub. 33216 – SKU 616334). The requirements were last revised in 2014 • This workbook was updated in May 2014.

Scout's Name: _____ Unit: _____



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Please submit errors, omissions, comments or suggestions about this **checklist** to: Workbooks@USScouts.Org
Comments or suggestions for changes to the **requirements** for the **rank** should be sent to: Advancement.Team@Scouting.Org

- 1. Be active in your troop, team, crew, or ship for a period of at least six months after you have achieved the rank of Life Scout.
- 2. Demonstrate that you live by the principles of the Scout Oath and Scout Law in your daily life.
- List on your Eagle Scout Rank Application the names of individuals who know you personally and would be willing to provide a recommendation on your behalf, including parents/guardians, religious, educational, and employer references.
- 3. Earn a total of 21 merit badges (10 more than you already have), including the following: (a) First Aid, (b) Citizenship in the Community, (c) Citizenship in the Nation, (d) Citizenship in the World, (e) Communication, (f) Cooking, (g) Personal Fitness, (h) Emergency Preparedness OR Lifesaving, (i) Environmental Science OR Sustainability, (j) Personal Management, (k) Swimming OR Hiking OR Cycling, (l) Camping, and (m) Family Life.*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1. (a.) First Aid | <input type="checkbox"/> 14. _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2. (b.) Citizenship in the Community | <input type="checkbox"/> 15. _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3. (c.) Citizenship in the Nation | <input type="checkbox"/> 16. _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 4. (d.) Citizenship in the World | <input type="checkbox"/> 17. _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5. (e.) Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> 18. _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 6. (f.) Cooking | <input type="checkbox"/> 19. _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 7. (g.) Personal Fitness | <input type="checkbox"/> 20. _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 8. (h.) Emergency Preparedness OR Lifesaving* | <input type="checkbox"/> 21. _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 9. (i.) Environmental Science OR Sustainability | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 10. (j.) Personal Management | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 11. (k.) Swimming OR Hiking OR Cycling* | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 12. (l.) Camping | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13. (m.) Family Life | |

* You must choose only one merit badge listed in items h, i, and k. If you have earned more than one of the badges listed in items h, i, and/or k, choose one and list the remaining badges to make your total of 21.

In other words, if you have earned more than one of the badges listed in items h, i, and/or k, choose one for the entry in the first column and list the other badges in the second column,

4. While a Life Scout, serve actively in your unit for a period of six months in one or more of the following positions of responsibility. List only those positions served after your Life board of review date.
- Boy Scout troop.** Patrol leader, assistant senior patrol leader, senior patrol leader, Venture patrol leader, troop guide, Order of the Arrow troop representative, den chief, scribe, librarian, historian, quartermaster, junior assistant scoutmaster, chaplain aide, instructor, webmaster, or Leave No Trace trainer.
- Varsity Scout team.** Captain, cocaptain, program manager, squad leader, team secretary, Order of the Arrow team representative, librarian, historian, quartermaster, chaplain aide, instructor, den chief, webmaster, or Leave No Trace trainer.
- Venturing crew/ship.** President, vice president, secretary, treasurer, quartermaster, historian, den chief, guide, boatswain, boatswain's mate, yeoman, purser, storekeeper, webmaster, or Leave No Trace trainer.
5. While a Life Scout, plan, develop, and give leadership to others in a service project helpful to any religious institution, any school, or your community. (The project must benefit an organization other than Boy Scouting.) A project proposal must be approved by the organization benefiting from the effort, your unit leader and unit committee, and the council or district before you start. You must use the [Eagle Scout Service Project Workbook](#), BSA publication No. 512-927, in meeting this requirement. (*Editor's note: To learn more about the Eagle Scout service project, see the [Guide to Advancement](#), topics 9.0.2.0 through 9.0.2.15.*)
6. Take part in a unit leader conference.
7. Successfully complete an Eagle Scout board of review. In preparation for your board of review, prepare and attach to your Eagle Scout Rank Application a statement of your ambitions and life purpose and a listing of positions held in your religious institution, school, camp, community, or other organizations, during which you demonstrated leadership skills. Include honors and awards received during this service. (This requirement may be met after age 18; see below.)

AGE REQUIREMENT ELIGIBILITY

Merit badges, badges of rank, and Eagle Palms may be earned by a registered Boy Scout, Varsity Scout, or Venturer. **He may earn these awards until his 18th birthday.** Any Venturer who has achieved the First Class rank as a Boy Scout in a troop or Varsity Scout in a team may continue working up to his 18th birthday toward the Star, Life, and Eagle Scout ranks and Eagle Palms. An Eagle Scout board of review may occur, without special approval, within three months after the 18th birthday. Local councils must preapprove those held three to six months afterward. To initiate approval, the candidate, his parent or guardian, the unit leader, or a unit committee member attaches to the application a statement explaining the delay. **Consult the *Guide to Advancement* in the case where a board of review is to be conducted more than six months after a candidate's 18th birthday.**

If you have a permanent physical or mental disability, or a disability expected to last more than two years, or beyond age 18, you may become an Eagle Scout by qualifying for as many required merit badges as you can and qualifying for alternative merit badges for the rest. If you seek to become an Eagle Scout under this procedure, you must submit a special application to your local council service center. Your application must be approved by your council advancement committee **before you can work on alternative merit badges.**

A Scout or Venturer with a disability may work toward rank advancement after he is 18 years of age if he meets the guidelines outlined in the *Guide to Advancement*.

Requirement resources can be found here:

http://www.meritbadge.org/wiki/index.php/Eagle_Rank/#Requirement_resources

EAGLE BOARD OF REVIEW

As with Life rank, The Board has to judge whether the boy has the attitude and maturity to become an Eagle Scout. The Board members may compare him in their minds with the other Eagle Scouts in the Troop, or others they may know. The Eagle rank is not given lightly or automatically in any Troop. This rank is the toughest call for both a Scoutmaster and a Board of Review. An Eagle Scout not only represents himself, but the Troop, and Scouting in general. And he may soon be gone from the Troop--- will he stuff it away in a drawer, or wear it proudly? Do we sense a fine young man developing into an equally fine young adult? More than any other rank, the Board is looking for the individual inside who will uphold what it feels are the ideals of Scouting.

Length: Approximately 30 minute, although some may run longer.

Uniform: Normally, full Class A, with neckerchief and hat as options, but with appropriate insignia. A Merit Badge sash or Order of the Arrow sash is also optional, but a question could be asked why he is not wearing these important aspects of his Scout uniform. **However, BSA Policy prohibits withholding the Eagle Rank for lack of an official uniform.**

A good place to start is by reviewing his project. Did he think it was a good one? What was hardest about it? What would he change? Does the Board approve his project?

Ask him to tell the Board about himself.

Does he consider the Eagle Rank an honor or a responsibility?

How does he feel about Scouts now? What does he plan after Eagle?

If he is a member of the Order of the Arrow, how active is he?

What are his thoughts on the world environment? Pick a current event; ask him about it.

What would he do differently in his Scouting career if he had to do it all over again?

Why should he be given the Eagle rank? What does Eagle mean to him?

What are his activities outside of Scouting? What plans does he have in this area?

How does he feel about wearing his Scout uniform to school or in public outside of Scouting functions?

Which Merit Badges have suggested a possible career to him?

What suggestions does he have on improving the Troop program, the Troop adult leadership or patrol councils.

The Board should beware of the cocky attitude, which implies that: "I've done all the requirements, now give me my Eagle."

BASIC CHECKLIST SHEET

SCOUT OATH:

On my honor, I will do my best
To do my duty to God and my country,
and to obey the Scout Law;
To help other people at all times;
To keep myself physically strong,
mentally awake, and morally straight.

SCOUT LAW:

A Scout is--- Trustworthy, Loyal, Helpful,
Friendly, Courteous, Kind, Obedient, Cheerful,
Thrifty, Brave, Clean, Reverent.

SCOUT MOTTO: Be Prepared!

SCOUT SLOGAN: Do a good turn daily!

OUTDOOR CODE:

As an American, I will do my best to---
Be clean in my outdoor manners,
Be careful with fire,
Be considerate in the outdoors, and
Be conservation minded.

SCOUT SIGN: Raise your right hand, palm
forward, with the three middle fingers
upward, and your thumb on the nail of your
little finger. Hold your upper arm straight
out to the side with your forearm straight up.

SCOUT SALUTE: Place the fingers of your right hand in position for the Scout sign. Bring the hand smartly up to your head until your forefinger touches the edge of your hat or your forehead above the right eye.

SCOUT HANDCLASP: Extend your left hand, nearest your heart, with the thumb separated from the other four fingers, and firmly grasp your friend's left hand.

SCOUT BADGE:

Fleur-de-lis or
Trefoil points Scout
to right way in life; 3
points stand for 3
parts of Scout Oath

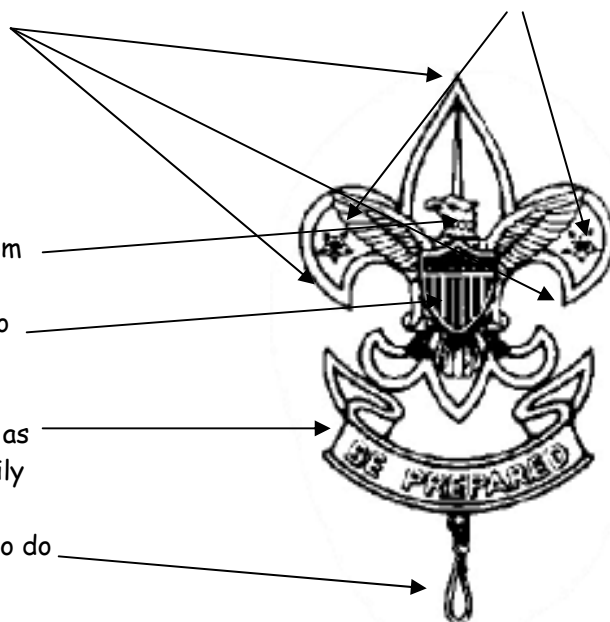
Eagle means freedom

Shield--- readiness to
defend freedom

Scroll--- Scout smile as
he does good turn daily

Knot reminds Scout to do
a good turn daily

Stars--- Truth and Knowledge



Uniform Check: Use the Insignia Guide, Uniform Inspection Sheet, or the Boy Scout Handbook

Board of Review Guidelines