

TROOP 7 ADVANCEMENT

RANK ADVANCEMENT POINTS TO REMEMBER:

Tenderfoot, Second Class and First Class

- The scouts can work on requirements for all lower ranks at the same time. However, the ranks have to be completed and earned in order.
- Most of the requirements can be earned at campouts, in the meetings and by being active in the troop.
- The requirements are signed off by scouts with a First Class rank or higher.

Star, Life and Eagle

- Earning merit badges are now required to advance.
- A “Position of Responsibility” is required. This can be an elected leadership position in the troop, a Den Chief, or a Scoutmaster approved project.
- Community Service hours are required.
- The requirements are “signed off” by the Advancement Chair once the merit badges, Position of Responsibility and community service hours are recorded.

All Ranks

- All ranks have three identical requirements: Scout Spirit, Scoutmaster Conference and Board of Review.
- The Scout Spirit is signed off by the Scoutmaster in the Scoutmaster Conference.
- The Board of Review is the final step to earn the rank and consists of three registered adults: The Advancement Chair or Committee Chair, one adult chosen by the Scout and one adult chosen by the Advancement Chair.

MERIT BADGES:

- Merit badges can be worked on and earned by a scout of any rank.
- The merit badge must be completed with and signed off by a registered adult for that specific merit badge. (See Advancement Chair for “list” of MB Counselors.)
- 21 Merit badges are required for Eagle Scout. 12 are Eagle required while the other 9 are chosen by the scout.
- Merit badges can be earned at summer camp, at Merit Badge Challenge, at meetings and by the scout on his own.
- Check out the most recent requirements at www.meritbadge.org

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PAPERWORK:

Advancement

- The scout should bring his Boy Scout book and a pen to every meeting.
- The scout sets up the Scoutmaster Conference with the Scoutmaster **AND** obtains a Board of Review Sheet (official rank paperwork) from the Advancement Chair.
- Once the scout passes the Scoutmaster Conference, the scout meets with the Advancement Chair to set up a Board of Review.

Merit Badges (Blue Cards)

- The scout asks the Scoutmaster for a signed blue card to begin a merit badge.
- Once the merit badge is completed (and signed off by the MB counselor), the blue card is presented to the Advancement Chair.

Keep all paperwork including the Applicant Copy section of the merit badge blue card and the awards presented at the Troop Court of Honors. This is your record that the advancements were earned.