

	REGION No.	COUNCIL No.	TROOP No.
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Application for Award of Star or Life Rank

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

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IMPORTANT NOTE

For Use of Councils Only

SCOUT'S APPLICATION

National Council: _____ Date: _____

I am a registered _____

_____ of Tr. No. _____

Indicate Member of Troop or Tribe, Lone Scout or Official

Charter for which expires _____

I became a First Class Scout on _____

I became a Star Scout on* _____

I have now qualified for the Merit Badges indicated below, and have done my best to qualify in the character, leadership and service requirements. I respectfully present this application for the award of Star [] Life [] Rank.

Print Name

Address _____

City _____ State _____

Approved _____

(Signature of Scoutmaster)

	BADGE	CHECK	Troop Where Registered When Awarded			
			No.	Town	State	Date
Required for LIFE RANK	First Aid	1				
	Athl. or Phys. Dev. }	2				
		3				
	Pers. Health	4				
	Pub. Health	5				
	Life Sav. or Pion. or Safety }	6				
		7				
		8				
		9				
		10				
AND OTHER TESTS PASSED		11				
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COMMITTEE ON ADVANCEMENT ACTION

Action by Committee on Advancement is invalid if Troop Charter has expired or if Scout is not registered, or if such action is taken in advance of full service period, viz., First Class to Star, 3 months;* Star to Life, 3 months.*

City _____ State _____ Date _____

To the Local Council:

This is to certify that the applicant hereon mentioned for the Rank of (indicate with X in brackets)

[] Star, [] Life Scout

has qualified for the same according to the requirements as authorized by the Executive Board, and further, that the Committee on Advancement has received satisfactory, definite and concrete evidence—

(1) That he has continued to put into practice the ideals and principles of the Scout Oath and Law, the motto "Be Prepared" and the "Daily Good Turn";

(2) He has maintained an active service relationship to Scouting for more than _____ months since he became a

_____ Scout, and

(3) He has made an effort to develop and demonstrate leadership ability.

(Scout Executive)

(Chairman of Advancement Committee)

*NOTE: The essential actions of the Local Committee on Advancement as provided in the National By-Laws Art. XV, Sec. 5 and Art. VI, Sec. 7, Clauses 1 to 4, require the receipt of satisfactory, definite and concrete evidence of the Scout's conduct, service and leadership efforts, and an appearance (not necessarily public) of the Scout before not less than three members of the Committee on Advancement where he demonstrates that the requirements have been satisfactorily complied with.

LOCAL COUNCIL RECORD

1. Checked By _____
2. Passed Review _____
3. Award Made _____
4. Individual Record _____
5. Inventory _____
6. Ready for File _____

Are you a Veteran Scout? If not and you are a First Class Scout, or Scout Official, with five, ten, fifteen, twenty, twenty-five or thirty years' service, apply at once for membership (use Application Form No. 598) in the Veteran Scout Association. Veteran Pins cost 50c to \$3.50. See catalog.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION — MERIT BADGES

Special care should be exercised to guard against too rapid advancement by Scouts, so as to insure thoroughness in their work. This must be especially borne in mind with reference to requirements for Merit Badges.

The members of the local Committees on Advancement and expert Merit Badge Counselors who may be duly appointed to conduct examinations should keep in mind that the lists of questions as set forth for the various tests are merely an outline of the scope of examination to be given and do not restrict the examination to these questions. In no case, however, is the Committee on Advancement or Counselor authorized to omit any of the points covered by the stated requirements or accept as an equivalent any examination which does not include each of the questions as authorized by the Executive Board. It is required that the applicant personally appear before the Committee on Advancement with at least three members present and satisfy them that he is entitled to receive the badge. Such procedure is of great value to the Scout who through such a meeting learns of the interest of the community in his welfare.

It should be further remembered that the purpose of these examinations is not to secure mere technical compliance with the requirement, but rather to ascertain the Scout's knowledge of the subject covered as a result of his own application and study. Practical knowledge rather than book knowledge is desired.

Examinations for Merit Badges should be given by the Committee on Advancement of the Local Council or Counselors under the supervision of the Committee on Advancement.

In a community which is not under Local Council, it is necessary for the Scoutmaster working in connection with the Troop Committee to form an examining committee to represent the National Council in the giving of all examinations on Merit Badge Subjects. Further particulars to be found on Forms 507A and 830.

1. Second Class Scouts and Assistant Scoutmasters under twenty-one years, of Second Class rank, may qualify for not more than five Merit Badges in the following list of forty subjects: Agriculture, Animal Industry, Art, Basketry, Beef Production, Bee Keeping, Blacksmithing, Bookbinding, Bugling, Carpentry, Cement Work, Corn Farming, Cycling, Dairying, Farm Home and Its Planning, Farm Layout and Building Arrangement, Firemanship, First Aid to Animals, Fruit Culture, Gardening, Handicraft, Hog and Pork Production, Horsemanship, Leathercraft, Leather Work, Masonry, Metal Work, Music, Painting, Pathfinding, Personal Health, Photography, Pottery, Poultry Keeping, Printing, Reading, Safety, Sheep Farming, Soil Management, Weather, Wood Carving.

2. First Class Scouts and Scouters other than Assistant Scoutmasters under twenty-one years of age (except such of the latter as qualify as First Class Scouts) who meet the requirements herein stated for Star, Life or Eagle Scout Rank, or for the award of Eagle Palms, may receive such award only when the Committee on Advancement or Examining Committee secures—in such manner as it may determine wise, from those who may be in a position to know from personal knowledge, not from the Scout himself, but from the parents, School Teacher, Employer, Pastor, Sunday School Teacher, Scoutmaster, Member of his Troop Committee or others—definite, concrete, satisfactory evidence that the Scout has:

FIRST, actually put into practice in his daily life the ideals and principles of the Scout Oath and Law, the motto "Be Prepared," and the "Daily Good Turn."

SECOND, maintained an active service relationship to Scouting.

THIRD, made an effort to develop and demonstrate leadership ability.

For the Star Scout Award:

1. His record of satisfactory service, as a First Class Scout, shall have been for a period of at least three months; and
2. He shall have qualified for any five Merit Badges.

For the Life Scout Award:

1. His record of satisfactory service, as a Star Scout, shall have been for a period of at least three months; and
2. He shall have qualified for ten Merit Badges, which shall include (1) First Aid, (2) Physical Development or Athletics, (3) Personal Health, (4) Public Health, (5) Life Saving or Pioneering or Safety.

For the Eagle Scout Award:

1. His record of satisfactory service, as a Life Scout, shall have been for a period of at least six months.
2. He shall have qualified for twenty-one Merit Badges, which shall include (1) First Aid, (2) Life Saving (including swimming), (3) Personal Health, (4) Public Health, (5) Cooking, (6) Camping, (7) Civics, (8) Bird Study, (9) Pathfinding, (10) Safety, (11) Pioneering, (12) Athletics or Physical Development.

Eagle Scout Palms

The Eagle Scout who meets the requirement for five Merit Badges, in addition to the twenty-one required for Eagle Scout Rank, may be awarded a Bronze Palm; for ten, a Gold Palm; for fifteen, a Silver Palm; for twenty or more such combinations of Bronze, Gold or Silver Palms as he may elect, to indicate the number for which awards have been made; provided, however, that no award of Palms may be made for more than five Merit Badges at any one time, and provided further that no award shall be made until after at least six months' satisfactory service as an Eagle Scout, as provided for in Clause 1 herein, and that subsequent awards may be made for intervals of not less than six months' service following the previous award.

A Scout may elect to use any combination of the Bronze, Silver or Gold Palms to indicate the number for which awards have been made.

For example—2 Bronze for 10 Merit Badges, or a Gold and a Bronze for 15, or 2 Gold or 4 Bronze for 20, etc.—provided that no award shall be made except at intervals of not less than six months nor for more than five additional badges at any one time.

PAMPHLETS, BADGES AND CERTIFICATES

	Each		Each
Merit Badge Pamphlets	.20	Metal Star or Life Badges	.50
Merit Badges	.10	Blank Certificates to 1st Class Councils Only, 1c ea.; 100—75c	
Embroidered Badges, Including Star and Life	.15	Miniature Eagle Badges (only to holders of "Standard" Eagles)	.50
Embroidered Eagle Badges	.25	**Eagle Palms—Bronze (see note below)	.30
*Metal "Standard" Eagle Badge (see note below)		Silver or Gold Palm	.35

When a Scout attains Eagle rank he is awarded an Eagle Certificate by the National Council for which no charge is made.

*If Local Council desires Eagle Badge for applicant for Eagle rank, definite order for same should accompany application.

**Palms—Eagle Palms are to be applied for on Form 698P to the National Council when Scouts are NOT UNDER COUNCIL otherwise application is made to Local Council.

BOYS' LIFE, published by the Boy Scouts of America, is the official magazine for Scouts. They are entitled to the Scout Rate of \$1.00 a year, a saving of 50c on the regular \$1.50 rate. When 5 or more members of a Troop subscribe at one time, they are entitled to the Concession Plan Rate of 75c. Send orders to Local Council Office.

An Eagle Scout writes: "Shortly after being introduced to BOYS' LIFE I became a Scout. In three years I became an Eagle Scout, and now have fifty Merit Badges. BOYS' LIFE has helped me pick up many pieces of useful information from its interesting pages that have helped me pass merit badge tests".