

Troop 385

Boy Scout Handbook

Rank Requirements policy

Times for working on Rank Requirements

- 1) Rank Requirements during troop meetings will only be done at the end of the meeting during the Boy Scout's free time. During this time a Boy Scout can work with an older Boy Scout (1st Class or above) learning a selected rank requirement. The new and older Boy Scout has to mutually agree to do this.
- 2) Rank Requirements during non-designated rank requirement advancement outings. During this time a Boy Scout can work with an older Boy Scout (1st Class or above) learning a selected rank requirement. The new and older Boy Scout has to mutually agree to do this.
- 3) **NEVER** is an Adult to approach an older Boy Scout and question them about why they are not working on rank requirements with the son. When an Adult has a question concerning this type of activity, they are to direct this with the Scoutmaster. As Adults we must make the Boy Scouts feel comfortable.
- 4) Adults are encouraged to work with their Boy Scouts at home on rank requirements. This will better prepare your Boy Scout to "Show his Stuff" when being reviewed on the selected rank advancement. Also, statistics have shown Boy Scout's that have adult participation are more likely to reach the rank of Eagle Scout.

Rank Requirement Signoff

Preferred Boy Scout method

- 1) Boy Scouts that are ready to be signed off on a rank requirement will need to review this rank requirement with an Older Scout that is the rank of 1st Class or above.
- 2) Once the older Boy Scout is satisfied that the Boy Scout has filled the requirements needed for the selected rank requirement, they both are to approach only the Rank Requirement Signoff Leader. There will be some review on the rank requirements at this time.
- 3) Rank Requirement Signoff Leaders are not allowed to signoff any rank requirements for their own son. This will ensure that all of the Rank Requirement Signoff Leaders avoid the appearance of being too easy or hard on your own son.

Optional Boy Scout method

- 1) Boy Scouts that are ready to be signed off on a rank requirement will need to review this rank requirement with a Rank Requirement Signoff Leader.
- 2) Rank Requirement Signoff Leaders are not allowed to signoff any rank requirements for their own son. This will ensure that all of the Rank Requirement Signoff Leaders avoid the appearance of being too easy or hard on your own son.

Rank Requirement Signoff Leaders

- 1) One year as an active Boy Scout Leader.
- 2) Completing the following Boy Scout Leader Training
 - a. Youth Protection
 - b. Boy Scout Fast Start
 - c. Basic Leader Training.
 - i. Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster Leader Specific training
 - ii. Introduction to Outdoor Leader Skills
- 3) Approved by the Scoutmaster and Committee. There will be only 5 or 6 Adult Leaders that will be able to signoff on any Boy Scout rank requirements. As of June 11, 2008, the follow Leaders have been assigned to be Troop 385 Rank Requirement Leaders.
 - a. John Kerr
 - b. Tom Tilton
 - c. Bob Harling
 - d. Jim Triolo
 - e. Pat Dever
 - f. Neal Nichols