



Boy Scouts of America MERIT BADGE COUNSELOR INFORMATION

(Please type or print.)

Name _____ Age _____ Business phone (____) _____

Address _____ Home phone (____) _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

To qualify as a merit badge counselor, you must

- Be at least 18 years old.
- Be proficient in the merit badge subject by vocation, avocation, or special training.
- Be able to work with Scout-age boys.
- Be registered with the Boy Scouts of America.

As a merit badge counselor, I agree to

- Follow the requirements of the merit badge, making no deletions or additions, ensuring that the advancement standards are fair and uniform for all Scouts.
- Have a Scout and his buddy present at all instructional sessions.
- Renew my registration annually if I plan to continue as a merit badge counselor.

	Vocation	Avocation	Special training
List merit badge subjects here.	Is this subject in line with your job, business, or profession? If yes, give brief information on the reverse side.	Do you follow this subject as a hobby, having more than a "working knowledge" of the requirements? If yes, give brief information on the reverse side.	If not, do you have any special training or other qualifications for this subject? If yes, give brief information on the reverse side.
1. _____			
2. _____			
3. _____			
4. _____			
5. _____			
6. _____			
7. _____			

CHECK ONE:

I wish to work only with _____
Unit number

I wish to work with all units.

Signature _____ Date _____

Note: The BSA Adult Registration Application must be attached.

Council approval by _____ Date _____



MERIT BADGE COUNSELORS

(Source Document: *National BSA Advancement Policies and Procedures. #33088A*)

Qualifications of Counselors. *Persons serving as merit badge counselors must be registered as a merit badge counselor with the Boy Scouts of America. They must be men and women of good character, age 18 or older, and recognized as having the skills and education in the subjects for which they am to serve as merit badge counselors, as well as having the ability to work with Scout-age boys.*

Register merit badge counselors by using the basic adult registration form. All merit badge counselors must be approved by the council advancement committee. Merit Badge counselors are not required to pay a fee if they are only registered as merit badge counselors.

There is no restriction or limit on the number of merit badges an individual may be approved to counsel for.

There is no limit on the number of merit badges a Scout may earn from one counselor.

An approved merit badge counselor may counsel any Scout, including his or her own son, ward, or relative.

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1. A Merit Badge Counselor Information (#34405) sheet is submitted to the council service center along with a signed and approved BSA Adult Registration Application. Individuals already registered as a merit badge counselor should use the Merit Badge Counselor Information sheet to add or delete merit badges. They should annotate on the form that they are already registered as a merit badge counselor.
2. Once the BSA Adult Registration Application has been processed or current registration has been verified, the Merit Badge Counselor Information sheet is forwarded
3. As needed, the council advancement committee approve an updated list of merit badge counselors.
4. Registered unit leaders request the most current merit badge counselor list from their respective district executive who in turn requests it from the council registrar. The council registrar will then notify the unit leader when the list is ready for pick up at the council service center.