

Complete the Work

7. Complete the requirements as laid out in the Merit Badge pamphlet. Write down any necessary information and take pictures or notes when necessary as you do your work.

PLAN AHEAD BE PREPARED

Meet with Your Merit Badge Counselor

8. When you have fulfilled the requirements for the Merit Badge, contact your Counselor to set up an appointment to show that you have completed the requirements and have learned about the subject. For some Badges, this may require several meetings. Make arrangements to meet in advance so that the Counselor can make time to meet with you. You may be able to come early or stay late at a Scout meeting, or you may arrange to meet elsewhere. Remember that in Scouts, you must always have another Scout or parent in attendance.

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Obtain Counselor's Signature

9. The Counselor will sign the Blue Card for each requirement that you have completed. When all of the requirements have been completed and the Blue Card signed for each, he / she will sign the Blue Card in two places.

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Obtain Scoutmaster's Signature

10. Your next step is to have the Scoutmaster sign your Blue Card.

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Submit Blue Card at Least One Week before Court of Honor

11. Return all three parts of the Blue Card to the **red folder** in the ship labeled "Merit Badge Cards Completed." PLAN AHEAD!! If you submit the Blue Card at least one week prior to the Court of Honor, you will receive your Merit Badge at the next Court of Honor.



Receive Your Merit Badge



12. When your Merit Badge is presented to you at the Court of Honor, it will be stapled to a green Merit Badge card and accompanied by one section of your Blue Card.

Safe Keeping of Merit Badge & Rank Advancement Cards

13. Keep your green and Blue Cards in a safe place! We recommend that you create an Advancement Binder. This is very helpful at your Eagle Scoutmaster's Conference and Board of Review. Use plastic baseball card pages to keep your copy of the Merit Badge Blue Card along with the green Merit Badge card presented to you at the Court of Honor. This is also the place to keep the Rank Advancement Cards that you receive. Purchase a nice big binder so that you can also keep photos, reports, or written work that you complete.

