



Troops 1/211: Merit Badge Process

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Before Beginning
Work on MB
Requirements

1. Scout identifies a Merit Badge which he/she wishes to pursue
2. Scout contacts the Troop Merit Badge Coordinator to request a Blue Card
3. MB Coordinator signs Blue Card (as “Unit Leader”) and helps Scout identify an available MB Counselor (if needed)

Working on the MB

4. Scout works with the MB Counselor to complete MB requirements (or attends the MB class/fair, as applicable)
5. When MB Counselor is satisfied that the Scout has fully completed the requirements for the MB, he/she signs off on the Scout’s Blue Card (MB Counselor may also sign off on “partial completion” if applicable)

After work on the
MB is Complete

6. Scout provides Blue Card to the MB Coordinator, who signs (a 2nd time) to confirm completion of requirements
7. Advancement Subcommittee members record approval of the MB in Scoutbook.scouting.org
8. Scout is recognized for completing the MB at a Court of Honor

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More on Merit Badges

- **Troops 1/211 prioritize quality of experience over quantity of badges earned**
- **There are many ways to earn merit badges:**
 - Individual/small group work with a Merit Badge Counsellor (recommended, especially for Eagle MBs)
 - At summer camp
 - Merit Badge Fairs (Twin Bayou District, other SHAC Districts, SHAC Merit Badge Days)
 - Paid classes (museums, Gigglin' Marlin, etc.) – only recommended for certain Eagle Required MBs
- **Troop MB Coordinator (Gage Mueller) signs blue cards for Scouts in both Troops and recommends/assigns Merit Badge Counsellors to Scouts (after blue cards have been signed)**
- **All adults are encouraged to register as Merit Badge Counsellors**
- **Additional information/suggestions on Merit Badges are available in the Troop 211/1211 Handbook and the BSA's Guide to Advancement**

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