

MERIT BADGE COUNSELOR APPLICATION

Name _____ Age _____ Birth date _____
 Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
 Home Phone (_____) _____ Business Phone (_____) _____
 E-mail _____ Social Security Number (required) _____

To qualify as a merit badge counselor, you must:

- Be at least 18 years old.
- Be proficient in the merit badge subject by vocation or avocation.
- Be able to work with Scout-age boys.
- Be registered with the Boy Scouts of America (no fee).
 If you aren't already registered, you must complete youth protection training (www.myscouting.org) **AND** the adult leader application form. I am currently registered as _____ with Troop _____.

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 two or more Scouts present at all instructional sessions.

	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 in the merit badge pamphlet?	If not, do you have any special training or other qualifications for this subject? If yes, give brief information on the reverse side.
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Policies established by the Council Advancement Committee:

- A. No counselor shall be approved for more than six merit badges. These should be badges for which the counselor is especially qualified. If necessary, a counselor may counsel more than six merit badges, but only with the approval of the district committee, upon recommendation of the district advancement committee.
- B. No counselor should counsel with one Scout for more than two merit badges except for rare circumstances when other counselors are not available.
- C. Scouts should be encouraged to earn as many merit badges as possible from outside the circle of their troop leaders and committee member.

Signature _____ Date _____

NOTE: The BSA Adult Registration Application must be attached if you are not currently registered.
 The position code for a merit badge counselor is "42".