



Boy Scouts of America

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Boards of Review

Once a scout has completed all the requirements for a rank and has passed his scoutmaster conference, he is eligible for a board of review.

To prepare for the board of review, go over what you learned for the rank, and do a mock board of review with a parent. To see what to expect at the board of review, read the Guide for Board of Review Members, found on the Advancement tab of the troop's website.

Always wear your Class A uniform with neckerchief and sash, and bring your Scout Handbook and the Scoutmaster Conference – Board of Review form. Bring rope, map and compass, and any other materials that might be needed to test the skills you learned for the rank.

The board of review will start with the scout reciting the scout oath, law, motto, slogan and outdoor code. The chair of the board will check to see that all the requirements have been signed off in the Scout Handbook, and will also ensure that your leadership, community service and merit badge records are consistent with the requirements for the rank. While the board of review is not a complete re-test of what was learned for the rank, the scout should be prepared for questions on any of the requirements for that rank and any lower rank.

If you pass your board of review, make sure the chair of the board signs your Scout Handbook and all members of the board sign the Scoutmaster Conference – Board of Review form, which you then turn in to the scoutmaster.

If you do not pass your board of review, work more on your areas of weakness, and when you have improved, request another board of review. Failing a board of review is not uncommon.

The arrangements and process for a board of review are different depending on rank:

Rank	Arranged by	Board Members	Review Length
Scout	scout himself	scoutmaster only	5 minutes
Tenderfoot & Second Class	scouts who are troop guides	3 scouts First Class rank or higher, plus at least 1 adult	15 to 20 minutes
First Class	scouts who are troop guides	3 scouts First Class rank or higher, plus at least 1 adult	20 to 30 minutes
Star & Life	scout himself	3 to 6 adult Troop Committee members	30 to 60 minutes
Eagle	Assistant Scoutmaster for Eagle Rank	3 to 5 adults from the community plus the District's Eagle advancement coordinator	2 hours