

BSA Troop 9 - Stamford CT Troop Guidelines
Roger Williams, Scoutmaster

Scout Spirit for the Quest to Eagle Scout
Troop 9 - Stamford, CT

In an effort to assist the scouts of Troop 9 in their quest to become Eagle Scouts, the Troop 9 Committee has prepared the following general guidelines and requirements that each scout must minimally adhere to in order to successfully complete his requirements for “Scout Spirit” during each advancement evaluation.

In accordance with the current policies and procedures of the Boy Scouts of America, with respect to rank advancement requirements, when a scout has fulfilled all of the requirements for advancement to the next higher rank, with the exception of the scoutmaster’s conference and the board of review, the scout will contact the scoutmaster to set up a date, time and location for a conference. The scoutmaster may delegate the responsibility for this conference to an assistant scoutmaster up through the rank of Life.

Troop roles & jobs that count towards leadership positions for rank advancement in Scouting.

- SPL senior patrol leader,
- ASPL assistant senior patrol leader,
- Patrol leader,
- Troop Guide,
- Order of the Arrow troop representative,
- Den Chief,
- Scribe,
- Librarian,
- Historian,
- Quartermaster,
- JASM Junior Assistant Scoutmaster,
- Chaplain Aide,
- Instructor, or
- Leadership position assigned by Scoutmaster.

The scoutmaster will, prior to the board, meet with the scout at a conference and evaluate the following:

From the date of the conference and for at least the previous six months for advancement to Life or Eagle or four months for advancement to Star, or from the date of his advancement to First Class, Second Class or Tenderfoot, the scout agrees that during each and every month of this period and portions thereof, he shall have:

1. lived by the Scout Oath and Scout Law (as described in the Boy Scout Handbook),
2. actively, continuously and consistently performed the duties of his elected or appointed office or offices (as described in the Junior Leaders Handbook) if an office is required for advancement to that rank and/or sought out assistance and advice when needed,
3. actively attended, planned and participated in troop, patrol and leadership meetings (based on the troop’s calendar of events),

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4. actively attended, planned and participated in such events as hikes, campouts, parades and service projects (based on the troop's calendar of events),
5. has demonstrated the scout skills and knowledge expected of the rank,
6. been a credit to his family, his friends, his faith, his school, his community and himself.

At the Scoutmaster conference, the scoutmaster will evaluate as acceptable or unacceptable, the scout's actions as to each of the above six items. The higher the rank being sought by the scout, the more critical will be the level of the evaluation of each of these items by the scoutmaster. The scoutmaster will, however, never base the level of the evaluation on the age, grade, or tenure of the scout.

When all six items have been evaluated as acceptable, the scoutmaster will sign and date the scout's handbook and will notify the troop's advancement chairman that the scout is prepared for the board.

If the scoutmaster should evaluate one or more of the items to be unacceptable, he will counsel the scout at the conclusion of the conference as to what the scout needs to do to improve the item or items evaluated so that the items or items can be deemed acceptable.

The scoutmaster will set a reasonable time period for the scout to work on the item or items needing to be improved before the scout can request an appearance for a second conference.

At the second conference, the scoutmaster, the scout and a second uniformed leader will participate in the reevaluation.

If the scout is not recommended to the board after the second conference, the uniformed leaders and the scout will schedule a conference as soon as possible with the troop committee chairman and the parent(s) of the scout. This conference will be repeated as many times as necessary until the scout is recommended to the board.

The undersigned, by his signature, acknowledges receipt and understanding of these guidelines.

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Scout's Signature

Current Rank

Date