

# Merit Badge Blue Cards

## Pre-Merit Badge Session (Scouts)

1. Buy a stack at the BSA Scout shop
2. Complete **FRONT SIDE**
  - a. Troop - 279      b. Council – Orange      c. District- Pacifica      e. Fill out complete address

**Make sure you get a signature from Truong (Scoutmaster or Unit Leader)**

<p><b>Information for Applicant</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A merit badge application can be approved only by a registered merit badge counselor.</li> <li>• You must have a buddy with you (Scout buddy system) at each meeting with the merit badge counselor.</li> <li>• Turn in your approved application to your unit leader. You will be awarded the merit badge emblem and certificate at a suitable occasion.</li> </ul> <p><b>Information for Counselor:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Merit badge applications must be signed in advance by the applicant's unit leader.</li> <li>• The Scout must have the buddy (Scout buddy system) in attendance at all instructional sessions.</li> <li>• You may not charge any equipment, but you may share your knowledge or experience that will make the counseling more interesting and valuable.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;">#34124A</p> 	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr><td style="width: 15%;">Counselor's name</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>Date of Approval</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>Applicant's No. (last name)</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>Counselor's Initial</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>Date of approval</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td>Registration No. and Issue</td><td></td></tr> </table>	Counselor's name		Date of Approval		Applicant's No. (last name)		Counselor's Initial		Date of approval		Registration No. and Issue		<p style="text-align: center;"><b>APPLICATION FOR MERIT BADGE</b></p> <p>Name: <u>JOHN DOE</u></p> <p>Address: <u>123 CHERRY STREET</u></p> <p>City: <u>HAMPTON, VA 23466</u></p> <p>It is registered:  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Boy Scout    <input type="checkbox"/> Varsity Scout    <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer</p> <p>of <u>TROOP</u> No. <u>279</u></p> <p>District: <u>HERITAGE</u></p> <p>Council: <u>COLONIAL VIRGINIA</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">and is qualified to begin working for merit badge related to the interest in:</p> <p><u>1/1/96</u> <i>Walter A. Thomas</i> Date Signature of Unit Leader</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">14104A 2000 Boy Scouts of America</p>
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3. **BACK SIDE**
  - a. Write name of scout    b. Write merit badge

<p>The applicant has previously approved counseling and demonstrated his satisfaction that he has met all requirements for the (please write):</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>RABBIT RAISING</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Unit Code</p> <p>Name of Scout: _____</p> <p>Address of Scout: _____</p> <p>City: _____ State: _____</p> <p>Signature of Scout: _____ Date: _____</p> <p>Checked and recorded: _____</p> <p>Date: _____</p> <p>Certificate or badge presented: _____</p> <p>Approved and filed in the position to file and make for record (initials): _____</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>APPLICANT'S RECORD</b></p> <p>Name: <u>JOHN DOE</u></p> <p>Has given me the completed application for the:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>RABBIT RAISING</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Unit Code</p> <p>Completed on: <u>1/1/96</u></p> <p>Signature of counselor: _____</p> <p>Signature of unit leader: _____</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>WRITE TO BOY SCOUTS NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS OR UNIT LEADER. Please file copy for your personal records.</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>COUNSELOR'S RECORD</b></p> <p>Approved: <u>JOHN DOE</u></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Troop    <input type="checkbox"/> Team    <input type="checkbox"/> Club    Unit Number: <u>279</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>RABBIT RAISING</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Unit Code</p> <p>Date completed: <u>1/1/96</u></p> <p>Remarks: _____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">It is suggested that the counselor keep this record for at least 3 years to show any applicant is rated later in regard to this merit.</p>
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1. Give MB counselor your blue card
2. Counselor will complete counselor section
  - a. Make sure you get it signed by counselor
  - b. Make sure you have counselor's address
  - c. Make sure counselor sign both sections as highlighted in red circle

APPLICANT'S RECORD	COUNSELOR'S RECORD
<p>The applicant has personally accepted before me and demonstrated to my satisfaction that he has met all requirements for the (please print)</p> <p><b>RABBIT RAISING</b> Merit badge</p> <p><b>NATHAN EVERETT</b> Name of applicant</p> <p><b>7575 FREEDOM AVENUE</b> Address of applicant</p> <p><b>HAMPTON, VA 23086</b> City State</p> <p><b>(757) 595-0358</b> Telephone number</p> <p><b>Nathan J. Everett</b> 2 / 21 / 08 Signature of applicant Date</p> <p>Checked and recorded: _____ Date: _____</p> <p>Certificate and badge presented: _____ Date: _____</p> <p>Applicant will turn in this portion to his unit leader for record-keeping.</p>	<p>APPLICANT'S RECORD</p> <p>Name: <b>JOHN DOE</b></p> <p>Has given me his completed application for the:</p> <p><b>RABBIT RAISING</b></p> <p>Completed on: <b>2 / 21 / 08</b> Date</p> <p><b>Nathan J. Everett</b> Signature of applicant</p> <p>Signature of unit leader: _____</p> <p>NOTE TO BOE SCOUT, VENTURER SCOUT, OR VENTURER: Retain this copy for your permanent records.</p>
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3. Counselor will keep his/her portion and give the other 2 portions to scout

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Return to scout

Counselor Retains

4. Not every Scout finishes the merit badge. This condition is known as a partially completed merit badge, also known as a PARTIAL. Whatever is not completed will be left blank. There are many reasons for this situation:
  - a. The merit badge may require projects that cannot be reasonably accomplished in the time allowed at camp or other opportunity.
  - b. The Scout may have recently moved into the area with Partial.
  - c. The Scout may have not completed the required homework.

## Post Merit Badge Session (Scouts / MB Administrator)

1. Take a picture of both sides of the blue cards.
2. Put both sides inside an envelope and write the merit badges on the outside of envelope.
3. Put \$3 per merit badge inside of envelope
4. Give envelope to Truong
5. Truong will sign applicant record portion and return this portion back to scout
6. Truong will give the MB record and money to Trang Sinh (MB Admin)

## Merit Badge Keeping (Scouts)

1. Store merit badge certificate in a scout binder in baseball cards holder.



2. Sew merit badge onto green sash

## Merit Badge Processing (MB Administrator)

1. Record merit badge online
2. Print out record and buy merit badge(s) at BSA store
3. Keep the blue card for record keeping
4. Create merit badge certificate and put merit badge back in envelope
5. Notify Truong (Scoutmaster) before meeting
6. Truong (Scoutmaster) will call scouts up during opening ceremony to receive merit badge

