



Life to Eagle Requirements

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Congratulations on completing your Life Rank. The following outlines the requirements for completing the Rank of Eagle. All of the requirements below, except the Eagle Board of Review, must be completed **prior to your 18th Birthday**.

Please note that this is only an overview of the requirements. The official requirements can be found in the BSA Guide to Advancement. <https://www.scouting.org/resources/guide-to-advancement/>

1. Earn a total of 21 merit badges (10 more than required for the Life rank)

These must include the following 14 merit badges: (1) First Aid, (2) Citizenship in the Community, (3) Citizenship in the Nation, (4) Citizenship in Society, (5) Citizenship in the World, (6) Communication, (7) Cooking, (8) Personal Fitness, (9) Emergency Preparedness OR Lifesaving, (10) Environmental Science OR Sustainability, (11) Personal Management, (12) Swimming OR Hiking OR Cycling, (13) Camping, and (14) Family Life

Please note: Family Life, Personal Fitness, and Personal Management each require a minimum of 90 days to complete

2. Complete 6 Months of Leadership: **This must be reviewed by the Scoutmaster prior to starting.**
3. Be Active in the Troop for a minimum of 6 months.

Troop 497 defines active by the following:

- Attend a minimum of 4 of the 5 camping trips including summer camp, unless prior arrangements are made with the Scoutmaster.
- Regularly attend troop meetings.

Please note: The leadership role chosen may require specific meeting, activity, and camping trip attendance.

4. Complete your Eagle Service Project.

