The Trail from Life to Eagle



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The Eagle Packet Consists of:

- 1) When you earn your Life rank
 - a) You will receive your Life to Eagle Packet which consists of:
 - i) Eagle Scout Rank Application (BSA Form 58-728) Download from website.
 - ii) Optional Eagle Scout Reference Forms (4) Letters can be accepted instead of form.
 - iii) Eagle Scout Leadership Project Workbook (BSA Form 18-927A) Download from website.
 - b) Determine a possible Eagle Scout Service Project through discussions with your Scoutmaster, Committee Chairman, or the like.
 - c) Fill out Eagle Scout Leadership Project Workbook, pages 1–6.
 - d) Submit your Project Workbook to the Scout Service Center.
 - e) Prior to submission, be sure that the Eagle Scout Leadership Project Workbook is signed **on page 6** by a representative of the beneficiary group, the Scoutmaster, and a member of the unit Committee.
 - f) Written approval **MUST** be obtained from the Eagle Project Review Committee before any work on the project commences. The committee will sign the Workbook as the Council Advancement Committee member on page 6. This committee meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month.
 - g) The Project Workbook will be returned to you by mail with a written response from the Eagle Project Review Committee.

2) Eagle Scout Rank Application (BSA Form 58-728)

- a) 1999 or later printing of the application form is required.
- b) Before beginning your write-up please read all instructions carefully.
- c) Print or type information legibly.
- d) When entering all dates, be sure to enter month, day, and year.
- e) List only 21 merit badges. For numbers 6 and 9, cross off those not earned. If any of those crossed off were earned, they can be entered in numbers 13 through 21, or later on an Eagle Palm application.
- f) Enter optional merit badges (numbers 13 to 21) in the order they were earned to satisfy Star, Life, and Eagle. Do not enter merit badges earned later on because they make the application look better. This can cause problems when the Star and Life dates are verified.

3) References

- a) List the names and addresses of your references on the Eagle Scout application.
- **b)** You may use the Eagle Scout Reference Forms (with your Life to Eagle Package) and give these to your references or request reference letters. You should have a **minimum of four (4) letters.**
- c) All letters of recommendation must be submitted with the completed Eagle package *unopened*.
- 4) Eagle Scout Leadership Project Workbook (BSA Form 18-927A)

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- a) Upon completion of the project, be sure that the Eagle Scout Leadership Project Workbook is signed by you, by the representative of the beneficiary group, and by the Scoutmaster on page 5.
- b) Make sure that it is completely filled out and all requested information is given.

5) Statement of ambitions and life purpose (Requirement 6, Eagle Scout Application)

This is your chance to tell us what you plan to do with your life. What interests you, what do you want to study, what profession you may wish to pursue, what hobbies you think you will continue, and so forth.

6) Service Project Final Report

- a) This is a description of your completed Eagle Scout Leadership Project. This should show beyond any doubt that you planned, developed, and gave leadership to others. This information is requested on pages 7 and 8 of the Project Workbook. Use more space if necessary.
- b) Photo and drawings may be attached, and will be returned afterwards.
- c) Here are some suggestions as to what to include:
 - i) Why did you choose your project?
 - ii) What was or were the value(s) of the project?
 - iii) Whom or what did it help or serve?
 - iv) What was the process you used in planning and developing the project?
 - v) What was accomplished?
 - vi) How were things done? When?
 - vii) What plans that you made did not work? Why? How did you handle the changes?
 - viii) Who worked on what, in what capacity, and how many hours did each spend? (Give names of workers, including youth or adult)
 - ix) What materials, if any, were used? What were the costs involved? Who paid for these costs, or were they donated and by whom?
 - x) What did you do for safety?
 - xi) How did you demonstrate leadership?
 - xii) What did you learn from this experience?
 - xiii) What recommendations do you have for other Eagle candidates?
 - xiv) What are your total hours from the planning stages through your final written Eagle Scout Service Project report?

7) Submission of Final Eagle Package

- a) After the Scoutmaster and Troop Committee Chairman sign the completed application for the Eagle Award, a troop representative submits the application package to the Scout Service Center. The Eagle Application Package includes the completed Eagle Rank Application form, the completed Eagle Scout Leadership Project Workbook and any sealed letters of recommendation. The package also includes the name and telephone number of the troop contact who will be called for arranging the date and time of the Eagle Board of Review.
- b) The District Advancement Chairman or District Reviewer will phone the troop contact at the phone number provided with the package to schedule the date and time for the Eagle Board of Review.

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