



# Merit Badge Counselor Training Information



Please review all 5 Advancement Resource links below from the BSA National Web Site

1. The Essentials of Merit Badge Counseling

This PowerPoint presentation with speaker notes covers the required procedures for merit badge counseling, clarifies the role of counselors in the BSA advancement program, and discusses the appropriate approaches to use in working with Scouts. Click to [Download PowerPoint Presentation](#) 

2. The Merit Badge Program

This presentation, for unit leaders, merit badge counselors, advancement administrators, and parents, addresses the merit badge program and it's benefits to Scouting. It includes the procedures for earning merit badges, merit badge counselor qualifications, the process of counseling, necessary counselor certifications and limitations, and administration of the merit badge counselor program. Click to [Download PowerPoint Presentation](#) 

3. [A Guide for Merit Badge Counseling](#) , No. 512-065 (click to download)
4. [Merit Badge Group Instruction Guide](#) , No. 512-066 (click to download)
5. [Merit Badge List](#) (click URL)

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The Merit Badge Counselor Application requires all items below to be completed.

A. Merit Badge Counselor Online Training

[Login to my.Scouting](#) (click URL)

Login, click on 'BSA Learn Center' (ribbon on right hand side), click Program, click Scouts BSA, select 'Scouts BSA – Merit Badge Counselor Training'. Print or take a screenshot of your completed certificate.

B. Youth Protection Training (YPT)

[Login to my.Scouting](#) (click URL)

Login, click on 'BSA Learn Center' (ribbon on right hand side), click YPT, click Youth Protection Training. Print or take a screenshot of your completed YPT certificate

c. MBC registration form for new counselors

[Merit Badge Counselor Information, No. 34405](#)  (click URL)

1. List qualification(s) that support your request
2. sign/date

D. Yes, you must fill out another BSA adult application

<http://www.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/524-501.pdf> (click URL)

1. sign/date 2 pages (application page and background check authorization page)
2. provide DOB, Drivers license, SSN
3. position code = 42 / Merit Badge Counselor
4. fill out reference section on far right
5. do NOT need to fill out 'To be completed by unit' section, no additional signatures required
6. no fee/costs involved

calendar of new merit badges

<http://blog.scoutingmagazine.org/merit-badge-calendar/> (click URL)

**Please turn all paperwork into Gina Hannemann to be processed.**

(Merit Badge Counselor Training Certificate, Youth Protection Certificate, Merit Badge Counselor Information and BSA Adult Application)

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