Boy Scouts of America
MERIT BADGE COUNSELOR INFORMATION

(Please type or print.)

Name _____ Age _____ Business phone (___) _____

Address _____ Home phone (___) _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

To qualify as a merit badge counselor, you must
- Be at least 18 years old.
- Be proficient in the merit badge subject by vocation, avocation, or special training.
- Be able to work with Scout-age boys.
- Be registered with the Boy Scouts of America.

As a merit badge counselor, I agree to
- Follow the requirements of the merit badge, making no deletions or additions, ensuring that the advancement standards are fair and uniform for all Scouts.
- Have a Scout and his buddy present at all instructional sessions.
- Renew my registration annually if I plan to continue as a merit badge counselor.

	Vocation Is this subject in line with your job, business, or profession? If yes, give brief information on the reverse side.	**Avocation** Do you follow this subject as a hobby, having more than a "working knowledge" of the requirements? If yes, give brief information on the reverse side.	**Special training** If not, do you have any special training or other qualifications for this subject? If yes, give brief information on the reverse side.
List merit badge subjects here. 1. _____	☐	☐	☐
2. _____	☐	☐	☐
3. _____	☐	☐	☐
4. _____	☐	☐	☐
5. _____	☐	☐	☐
6. _____	☐	☐	☐
7. _____	☐	☐	☐

CHECK ONE:

☐ I wish to work only with _____.
Unit number

☐ I wish to work with all units.

Signature _____ Date _____

Note: The BSA Adult Registration Application must be attached.

Council approval by _____ Date _____

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Name: _____ PID #:_____

E-Mail: _____ Date of Birth:_____

Please list your qualifications for each merit badge you wish to counsel:

Merit Badge	Qualifications

District Advancement Committee Approval _____ Date_____

District Name _____ District #_____ Council_____

Processing this Application:

Merit Badge Counselors MUST register as adult Scouters and be approved by the District Executive. A new Merit Badge Counselor does not have to pay a registration fee, but must completely fill out a new Adult Application/ Disclosure Authorization Form indicating a Code 42 and this Merit Badge Counselor Information form (both pages). *Both forms and the YPT certificate MUST be submitted to the Troop Advancement Chair if associated with a Troop or District Merit Badge Dean if applying through District.*

The District Merit Badge Dean reviews and approves/disapproves the Merit Badge Counselor Information form and forwards the Adult Application/Disclosure Form and YPT certificate to the District Executive (as appropriate). The District Executive will review and approve/disapprove the Adult Application and forward everything to NCAC (as appropriate). The Scout Executive approves/disapproves the Adult Application and updates ScoutNet (as appropriate).

*FORMS **WILL NOT** BE PROCESSED IF SENT DIRECTLY TO THE COUNCIL SERVICE CENTER.*

All Merit Badge Counselors MUST complete BSA Youth Protection Training before working with Scouts.

Additionally, the training must be valid for the entire District charter period and taken a minimum of every two years.

All Merit Badge Counselors MUST confirm their registration *annually.* Any changes must be documented using this form. An Adult Application, including the Disclosure Authorization, is only required when registering as a Merit Badge Counselor for the first time or after letting their registration lapse.

Scouters may choose to limit their role to counseling only in an affiliated unit or make themselves available to other units in the District. NCAC encourages you to be available to other units since the expertise for some merit badges is not present within many individual units. Counselors will always be able to limit the number of scouts they work with at one time. Please remember to check the box on the front of this form that indicates this choice.