

New Boy Scout Rank Requirements for 2010

With the release of the new Centennial Edition of the Boy Scout Handbook comes several changes to the Boy Scout advancement requirements. These requirements are effective January 1st, 2010 for all Scouts who have not yet achieved the rank for which the new requirements apply. There is apparently no phase-in or grace period other than the extended time between announcement of the changes and their implementation date. Note that there also has been considerable re-numbering of existing requirements to facilitate these additions.

This information can also be found at the following link:

<http://scouting.org/sitecore/content/Home/BoyScouts/AdvancementandAwards/2010RankUpdates.aspx>

New Tenderfoot Requirements

- 4c. Using the EDGE method (explain, demonstrate, guide and enable) teach another person how to tie the square knot.

- 13. Demonstrate Scout spirit by living the Scout Oath (Promise) and Scout Law in your everyday life. **{Added in 2010}** → Discuss four specific examples of how you have lived the points of the Scout Law in your daily life.

New Second Class Requirements

- 2. Discuss the principles of *Leave No Trace*.

- 3b. On one of these campouts, select your patrol site and sleep in a tent that you have pitched. **{Added in 2010}** → Explain what factors you should consider when choosing a patrol site and where to pitch a tent.

- 4. Participate in a flag ceremony for your school, religious institution, chartered organization, community, or troop activity. **{Added in 2010}** → Explain to your leader what respect is due the flag of the United States.

- 10. Earn an amount of money agreed upon by you and your parent, then save at least 50% of that money.

- 11. Demonstrate Scout spirit by living the Scout Oath (Promise) and Scout Law in your everyday life. **{Added in 2010}** → Discuss four specific examples (different from those used for Tenderfoot requirement 13) of how you have lived the points of the Scout Law in your daily life.

New First Class Requirements

3. Since joining, have participated in 10 separate troop/patrol activities (other than troop/patrol meetings), three of which included camping overnight. . **{Added in 2010}** → Demonstrate the principles of *Leave No Trace* on these outings.

12. Demonstrate Scout spirit by living the Scout Oath (Promise) and Scout Law in your everyday life. **{Added in 2010}** → Discuss four specific examples (different from those used for Tenderfoot requirement 13 and Second Class requirement 11) of how you have lived the points of the Scout Law in your daily life.

New Life Requirement

6. While a Star Scout, use the EDGE method (explain, demonstrate, guide and enable) to teach a younger Scout the skills from ONE of the following six choices, so that he is prepared to pass those requirements to his unit leader's satisfaction.
 - a. Second Class – 7a and 7c (first aid)
 - b. Second Class – 1a (outdoor skills)
 - c. Second Class – 3c, 3d, 3e, and 3f (cooking/camping)
 - d. First Class – 8a, 8b, 8c, and 8d (first aid)
 - e. First Class – 1, 7a, and 7b (outdoor skills)
 - f. First Class – 4a, 4b, and 4d (cooking/camping)

New Leadership Positions for Star, Life and Eagle Ranks

The National Council announced that two new youth leadership positions, Troop Webmaster and Leave No Trace Trainer, can be used for leadership credit for rank advancement beginning on January 1st, 2010. Note that these changes are not yet reflected in the current version of the Eagle Scout Rank Application. It is Circle 10 Council Advancement Committee's understanding that, for the rank of Eagle Scout, leadership credit should not be granted for these positions prior to January 1st. Scouts working towards Star and Life ranks can serve in these positions prior to that date at the discretion of their Scoutmaster.