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Troop #701

Milford, Connecticut

**Official Troop Policy For:** 

Eagle Required & Elective Merit Badges



### **Eagle Required** Merit Badge Policy



#### Review

In order to ensure merit badges are made available and taught to the Troop on a consistent basis, the following policy has been enacted concerning **Eagle Required** and Specialty **Elective** Merit Badges:

All Eagle Required merit badges are to be taught only by designated and registered adult leaders from Troop One (aka: #701), CT Yankee Council Merit Badge Colleges, or during Summer Camp @ Sequassen. Additional adult leaders can be assigned as course counselors to teach or assist in teaching with prior approval from both the Scoutmaster and Committee Chairman.

All Eagle Required merit badges will be listed/offered on a rotating basis over the course of two (2) years. In some cases, such as First Aid, they may be offered annually.

Some Eagle Required and Elective merit badges (ex: Swimming, Environmental Science, Scuba, etc.) will only be available by attending Summer Camp at Sequassen. This is to ensure proper technique, consistency and safety are observed.

Any changes to this Policy must be reviewed and voted on by the Troop Committee as a whole.



#### **Eagle Required**

#### Merit Badge Policy Counselor Requirements



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The following are requirements to become a merit badge counselor and proper running of merit badge classes:

- Two deep Leadership will be observed for all merit badge activities as required by BSA.
- ▶ In order to sign up for merit badges, Scout must achieve the rank of First Class.
- ➤ All key counselors must be approved by Troop One Scoutmaster and Committee Chairman prior to the start of classes.
- ➤ Counselors for Eagle Required merit badges must be registered as an adult leader with Troop One (#701) or CT Yankee Council. Any consideration of Counselors outside the Troop or Council must be approved by both the Scoutmaster and Committee Chairman.
- Counselors for Elective merit badges, must be either registered with Troop One (#701), CT Yankee Council or BSA National.
- ➤ Merit Badge classes will be offered to all eligible Scouts in the Troop on a first-come-first-serve basis.
- ➤ Counselors will not allow Scouts to submit work used for other similar merit badges.
- >Counselors must prepare in advance for classes with proper material & visual aids.
- All merit badge class dates, times, location and trips are to be reviewed with the Scoutmaster and/or Committee Chairman.
- Counselors must have either a professional expertise, passion for, or established working hobby in the field on which the merit badge is based.



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To Be Taught **Only** By Designated Registered Troop One



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Adult Leaders or CT Yankee Council Camps/Merit Badge Colleges

CT

- Communications



- Citizenship Comm.



- Camping



- Family Life



- Citizenship Nation



- Hiking



- First Aid



- Citizenship World



- Cycling



- Emergency Prep.



- Personal Mgt.



-Personal Fitness



- Cooking



# **Eagle Required**Merit Badge Policy



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To Be Taught <u>Only</u> At Summer Camp - Sequassen



- Environmental Science



- Swimming



- Sustainability



- Life Saving



## **Elective**Merit Badge Policy



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<u>Encouraged</u> to be taken at Summer Camp - Sequassen



- Archery



- Canoeing



- Kayaking



-Rifle Shooting



- Rowing



- Scuba



-Shotgun Shooting



-Sm. Boat Sailing



-Motor Boating

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### **Elective**Merit Badge Policy



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**Encouraged** to be taken at **Summer Camp - Sequassen** 



- Metal Working



-Nature



- Leather Work



- Climbing



- Basketry



-Fish & Wild Life Management



-Wilderness Survival



-Soil & Water Conservation

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