



RANK WORKSHEET

Star

Scouts BSA

Name

Started

Completed

Star is your first leadership rank. Now that you have the core Scout skills, you start earning merit badges, serving others, and taking on a real job in your troop. It's a chance to explore new interests and help your troop run well.

Requirements

Every official requirement, in plain language. Check the official wording when you sign off (scouting.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/Scouts-BSA-Rank-Requirements.pdf). Tips and examples are ideas, not extra requirements.

- ☐ **1** Stay active in your troop for 4 months or more as a First Class Scout

Tip: Keep showing up to meetings and outings. Being active is about taking part, not just being on the roster.

- ☐ **2** As a First Class Scout, show Scout spirit by living the Oath and Law; share how you've carried out your duty to God and lived the Oath and Law day to day

Tip: Think of real moments when you lived the Oath and Law, at school, at home, or in the troop, and be ready to share them.

Example: Bring stories, not definitions: "I stayed after the campout to help the quartermaster count tents when everyone else left. That was Helpful and Loyal." For duty to God, share what it means in your life or family, in your own words.

- ☐ **3** Earn 6 merit badges, including any 4 from the Eagle-required list

Tip: Pick a mix of Eagle-required badges and ones you're excited about. Ask your Scoutmaster for a list of counselors and contact one early.

Example: One balanced first six: First Aid, Camping, Citizenship in the Community, and Swimming from the Eagle-required list, plus two you're curious about, like Fishing, Game Design, or Chemistry.

- ☐ **4** As a First Class Scout, give 6 hours of service on one or more Scoutmaster-approved projects

Tip: Look for service projects your troop, school, or place of worship already runs. Get them approved by your leader before you start.

Example: Six hours could be three different projects: serving at a community dinner, a park cleanup, and helping a younger patrol run a food drive. Get each one approved by your leader before you start.

- ☐ **5** While First Class, actively serve 4 months as bugler, chaplain aide, den chief, historian, instructor, junior assistant Scoutmaster, librarian, OA troop rep, outdoor ethics guide, patrol leader, quartermaster, scribe, senior or assistant senior patrol leader, troop guide, or webmaster, or do a Scoutmaster-approved leadership project; Lone Scouts: a school, faith, club, or community leadership role

Tip: Talk with your Scoutmaster about which position fits you, like patrol leader, scribe, or quartermaster. Ask what doing the job well looks like.

Example: As quartermaster, you might inventory the troop's tents, tag what needs repair, and set up a sign-out sheet so each patrol has gear before campouts. Ask your Scoutmaster halfway through your term how you're doing.

6 Youth protection with your family

Tips for this section: Set aside time with a parent to go through the Parent's Guide exercises and videos again. It is a good chance to talk about staying safe as you take on more.

- ☐ **6a** With a parent or guardian, do the exercises in the Parent's Guide pamphlet on protecting children from abuse

- ☐ **6b** With a parent or guardian's permission, watch the Personal Safety Awareness videos (your Scoutmaster may waive the videos with your family if you have no internet access)

☐ **7** As a First Class Scout, have a Scoutmaster conference

Tip: Come ready to talk about how your leadership role is going and what merit badges you want to do next.

Example: Bring your service log, your merit badge list, and one honest story about your position: something that went well and something you'd do differently.

☐ **8** Pass your Star board of review

Tip: Share what you've learned as a leader and what you've enjoyed most. Wear your uniform and relax.