As you work on the requirements needed for each rank, you will meet with the Scoutmaster or an Assistant Scoutmaster to discuss your accomplishments. The leader will sign off on the rank requirements in your Scout handbook and also log this in Scoutbook which is a digital version that is linked to the National Council.

**RANK ADVANCEMENTS**

You should log your campouts, merit badges, hiking, and service hours in the back of your book. *Remember to take a photo of your rank requirements and all other log pages before every campout in case you lose your book.*

The requirements for advancing to the next rank are in your Scoutbook. However, here are some commonly overlooked requirements on the road to advancement.

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| **Rank** | **Time Required** | **Position of Responsibility** | **Completed Merit Badges** | **Service Project Hrs.** | **Activities** |
| Tenderfoot | 6 months\* | N/A | N/A | 1 hour | 1 night camping  Show improvement in exercises after 30 days |
| Second Class | 6 months\* | N/A | N/A | 2 hours | Participate in 5 troop activities (not including troop meetings), 3 of which include camping overnight. |
| First Class | 6 months\* | N/A | NA/ | 3 hours | Participate in 5 more troop activities, 3 of which include camping overnight. |
| Star | 4 months | 4 months | 6 Merit Badges; 4 must be Eagle required | 6 hours | N/A |
| Life | 6 months | 6 months | 5 Merit Badges of which 3 are Eagle required | 6 hours | N/A |
| Eagle | 6 months | 6 months | 10 Merit Badges of which 6 are Eagle required | N/A | Eagle Project |
| **TOTAL:** | **34 months** | **16 months** | **21 merit badges** | **18 hours** |  |