**Troop 66 Rank Advancement Policy Aug 1, 2024.**

 There seems to be some confusion and assumptions among some scouts with Rank Advancements. Some even think they have found a short cut to the Rank Advancement and have skipped basic skills to shortcut ahead only to be delayed until the scout completes what he skipped initially.

**From Crossover to 1st Class.** (Scout, Tenderfoot, 2nd Class & 1st Class)

 only non-Eagle merit badges can be worked on, except for Swimming MB.

 **All other Eagle Merit Badges are restricted until 1st Class and Star Rank.**

**All Rank requirements** **from Scout, Tenderfoot, 2nd Class & 1st Class must be completed in Rank order.**  Example: Tenderfoot Cooking Req, must be completed before moving onto 2nd Class Cooking Req, and so on for 1st Class Cooking requirements. The scout does not have to be at the next rank just have the previous Rank Category Requirements completed before before moving onto the next Rank category requirements.

**\*\*\*\*. Totin Chip and Firen’m Chit must be completed and attained by the Scout before 2nd Class Rank Requirements are worked on, or you will not be able to start any 2nd Class Rank Cooking Requirements**. These chits are the ***bases of Safety*** in handling a knife or managing a fire, for the Scout to follow. Without Firen’m chit & Totin Chip you cannot start a fire or use a knife to start 2nd Class cooking requirements**.**

**Once a Scout attains 1st Class Rank**; A Scout can start working on these Eagle Merit Badges.

**Camping, Cooking, First Aid, Communication, Hiking. (Swimming)**

**At 1st Class Rank Leadership time requirements come into play.** Active Scout time and Leadership Time **are not the same**. Leadership is not assumed or given automatically to the Scout. This will be explained to the Scout once they reach 1st Class Rank.

**ILST and NYLT will be required Leadership training for Scouts**. Scouts must take ILST first in the Troop before attending NYLT.

**Once the Scout Reaches Star Rank**

All other Eagle Level Merit Badges will then be open to the Scout to work on.

**Cit in, Community, Nation, World, Society, Cycling, Em-Prep, Envi-Science, Lifesaving, Personal Fitness, Personal Management, Sustainability.**

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