

WOOD BADGE

In 1911, Baden-Powell took the first steps in training Scouting's adult leaders by organizing a series of lectures for Scouters. He made great strides in the years that followed, culminating in 1919 with the establishment of Wood Badge training. **Wood Badge** recipients now number more than 100,000 and can be found in all corners of the world.

A Scouter participating in **Wood Badge** has the opportunity to:

- Understand Scouting as a family of interrelated, values-based programs providing age-appropriate activities for youth.
- Recognize contemporary leadership concepts and discover how they are relevant to the Scouting movement.
- Apply the skills learned as a member of a successful working team.
- Revitalize their commitment to Scouting by sharing in an inspirational experience that provides Scouting with renewed leadership.

Many Scouters consider **Wood Badge** to be a peak experience of their Scouting careers. It has served as a source of training and inspiration to thousands.

There are two parts to **Wood Badge** in the Boy Scouts of America, the practical part and the application period. Both must be completed to receive the **Wood Badge** – two wooden beads to be worn around the neck on a leather thong.

The practical part is a two-weekend experience to demonstrate as practically as possible the aims and methods of Scouting. The course is a multifaceted presentation of leadership skills, organizational tools, and participatory activities based on the best Scouting traditions and the latest in team development theory. In addition, participants will enjoy the fellowship of learning alongside many other Scouters, and along the way will have a great deal of fun.

The application part of **Wood Badge** is a period of up to 18-month during which the participants practice and demonstrate a working knowledge of the leadership principles presented during the course. This is accomplished by the use of the **Wood Badge** "ticket", which represents the participant's commitment to complete a set of personal goals related to their Scouting position. These goals will significantly strengthen the program in which the participant is involved.

Throughout the period of application, each participant is assigned a counselor who serves as a resource, an evaluator and a Scouting friend. When the counselor and the participant determine that the new skills are understood and can be applied to their Scouting position, a recommendation is made for the **Wood Badge** to be awarded.



Who may attend Wood Badge?

Wood Badge is for all leaders in the Boy Scouts of America. It has been developed for Cub Scout, Boy Scout, Varsity Scout and Venturing leaders, as well as council and district leaders. The course content and leadership principles introduced apply to Scouters of all leadership positions and will provide a common foundation of leadership skills to be used throughout all program areas.

Qualifications

Each Scouter who participates in **Wood Badge** training must be a registered member of the Boy Scouts of America and have completed the basic training courses for their Scouting position.

Registration

Registration will open fall 2016, A significant early bird savings is available until January 13, 2017.

Please note: The course is limited to the first 48 paid participants.

Please visit: www.pac-woodbadge.org



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I meet the criteria for Wood Badge and I have included my \$50 deposit to guarantee my reservation.

Name _____ Telephone Number _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____ E-mail _____
Scouting Position _____ Unit Type _____ Unit Number _____
Council _____

Course Logistics

Location:

Camp Long Lake, St. Cloud, WI

Course Dates:

1st Weekend*: March 31st – April 2nd
Friday, Saturday, and Sunday

2nd Weekend*: April 28th – April 30th
Friday, Saturday, and Sunday

***Weekends start at 7:30 AM on Friday
and ends late afternoon on Sunday**

Weekend course consists of:

- Two weekends in camp
- One Patrol meeting between weekends.

Cost:

Course Fee is:	\$300
Paid Before Feb 13, 2017	\$280
Paid Before Jan 13, 2017	\$265

(Payment Plan Available)

This fee includes all course materials, all meals, snacks, course t-shirt and course hat. Troop and Patrol pictures will be made available.

**Deposit fee of \$50 must be included
with accepted registration form.**

Medical Examination:

Wood Badge is a Class C Scouting event and requires a medical examination within one year of the course end date.

Use BSA Medical Form # 34605.

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