

# 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.



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## The Wood Badge Experience

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 along side 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.

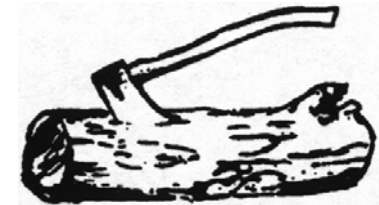


Who may attend Wood Badge?

Wood Badge for the 21<sup>st</sup> century 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 participating 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. They must successfully complete a BSA class 3 physical.



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3020 53<sup>rd</sup> Street  
Galveston, TX 77551

ATTN: Lanny Brown, Staff Advisor

Enclosed is a deposit of \$40.00 to hold my space.  
(Registration deadline Tuesday, Sept. 4, 2007.)

Payment schedule will be enclosed in the  
course invitation – information letter.

I meet the criteria for Wood Badge and would like an invitation.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Scouting Position \_\_\_\_\_ Unit Number \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

Council \_\_\_\_\_ I have completed basic training \_\_\_\_\_ (Year \_\_\_\_\_)

Details of BAC Course

**Course Limit:**

48 participants. A standby list will be created on a first-fully paid first-served basis. National policy requires no less than 30 registrations 30 days prior to course start. If the minimum is not met, National BSA will cancel course.

**Location:**

Camp Karankawa (1<sup>st</sup> weekend)  
Sweeney, TX  
Camp Karankawa (2<sup>nd</sup> weekend)  
Sweeney, TX

**Course Dates:**

1<sup>st</sup> Weekend – October 5-7, 2007  
Friday, Saturday, Sunday  
2<sup>nd</sup> Weekend – October 26-28, 2007  
Friday, Saturday, Sunday  
(Weekends start at 7:30 AM and end late afternoon on the last day.)

Weekend Course consists of:

Two weekends in camp.  
Two Patrol Meetings between weekends.

**Cost: \$175.00**

**\$40.00 deposit required at Registration.  
Registration deadline Sept. 4, 2007.**

**Medical Examination:**

Wood Badge is a class 3 Scouting event and requires a medical examination within one year of the course start date. Use BSA Medical Form # 34412A regardless of age. Form must be turned in no later than start of Course 866.

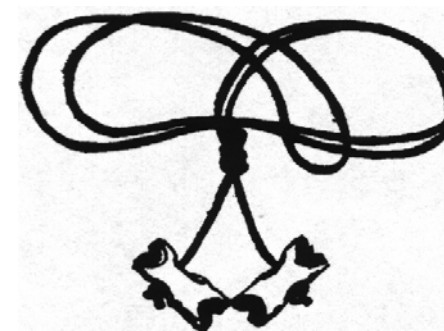
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**WEEKEND COURSE**  
October 5, 6, & 7, 2007 and  
October 26, 27 & 28, 2007

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