**Steps Required to Become a Merit Badge Counselor**

**Path 1**: If you are not registered with the Troop and have never been registered as a Merit Badge Counselor

1. Complete an Adult Application form for Troop registration
   * You must complete and return the hard copy form (with your original signature)
   * Don’t forget to sign the Disclosure for the background check
2. Complete a second Adult Application form for Merit Badge Counselor registration
   * Use code 42
   * You must complete and return the hard copy form (with your original signature)
   * Don’t forget to sign the Disclosure for the background check
3. Complete a Merit Badge Information Form
   * The form is available here: <https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/34405.pdf>
4. Complete YPT training and provide the completion certificate
5. Complete Merit Badge Counselor training and provide the completion certificate
   * There are 2 modules that must be completed.
   * The training modules are available at my.scouting.org --> Menu --> My Training --> Training Center --> Scouts BSA --> Scouts BSA: Merit Badge Counselor Training.

**Path 2**: If you are already registered with the Troop but have never been registered as a Merit Badge Counselor

1. Complete a second Adult Application form for Merit Badge Counselor registration

* Use code 42
* You must complete and return the hard copy form (with your original signature)
* Don’t forget to sign the Disclosure for the background check

2. Complete a Merit Badge Information Form

* + The form is available here: <https://filestore.scouting.org/filestore/pdf/34405.pdf>

3. Complete YPT training and provide the completion certificate

4. Complete Merit Badge Counselor training and provide the completion certificate

* + There are 2 modules that must be completed.
  + The training modules are available at my.scouting.org --> Menu --> My Training --> Training Center --> Scouts BSA --> Scouts BSA: Merit Badge Counselor Training.

**Path 3**: If you are already registered with the Troop and have already been registered as a Merit Badge Counselor but want to add or remove specific Merit Badges from your list

1. Complete a Merit Badge Information Form

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