

Extension of Time to Earn the Eagle Scout Rank - Instructions

A request for an extension of time to earn the Eagle Scout rank is not granted lightly. There must be compelling documentation that the Scout was making sufficient progress to complete all requirements before their 18th birthday, when an unforeseen circumstance or life-changing event came to be that now precludes that completion. The circumstance must be completely beyond the control of the youth, and one that cannot be resolved in time to meet the deadline.

While a COVID-19 pandemic initially met these requirements, after more than a year it is unfortunately a fact of life. It may have been a contributing factor and could be included as such. Similarly, all youth must manage their time, and choosing to spend time on other activities is not a sufficient reason for an extension.

Each case is unique and will be judged on its own merits.

The more documentation and details provided, the better the reviewers will be able to judge the scout's situation. The application should contain the following information, and in as much detail as possible.

Form 11.2.0.0: Request for Extension of Time to Earn the Eagle Scout Rank (required)

Details of how each of the three tests listed in the Guide to Advancement, Time Extensions, section 9.0.4.0, have been met (required)

*List of all requirements completed, and status of requirements remaining.

Which merit badges remain? Have they been started?

For the ones with lengthy requirements, what is their status?

Is the six-month tenure complete? If not, when will it be?

Is the six months in a position of responsibility complete? If not, when will it be?

Has the project proposal been approved by the district? Has work begun?

*Letter from youth requesting extension, reason(s), details of circumstance and impact

*Advancement Report and Eagle Scout Form (provided by Council)

*Letter from Scoutmaster or other adult leader

Include confirmation of requirement status, their opinion on scout's progress before the unforeseen event, and whether or not they support the extension

Letter from Eagle Scout coach, or others with knowledge of what caused the delay

Letter from parent(s)

Timeline of important dates and events, if appropriate

Project workbook and/or letter from benefitting organization, if applicable

Statement from health professional, if cause is health-related

-Include extent of illness or injury, when expected to return to normal activities

Other supporting documentation or letters

*strongly recommended

