



Glacier's Edge Council (620), BSA Advancement Committee

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Eagle Rank Time Extension Process

BSA has designated local Councils with the authority to grant limited extensions of time (**up to a maximum of 6 months**) for a Life Scout to complete Eagle requirements (Eagle Extensions), if it will be impossible to complete the Eagle Scout rank requirements before age 18 **due to no fault or choice of their own**.

Requirements for an Eagle Extension are specified in the BSA *Guide to Advancement* under topic 9.0.4.0 and must meet the following 3 tests:

1. The member joined or rejoined in time to complete all requirements before turning 18.
2. Through no fault or choice of the Scout, an unforeseen circumstance or life changing event with severe consequences has come to exist that now precludes completion of the requirements before the deadline. If the circumstance is health-related, it should have been unforeseen and of recent onset, or a complication or intensification of an ongoing issue.
3. The circumstance is beyond the control of the Scout, could not have been anticipated or planned for, and was not or cannot be resolved in time to complete the requirements.

The process for obtaining an Eagle Extension is specified in the BSA *Guide to Advancement* under topic 9.0.4.1 and the Glacier's Edge Council process is outlined here:

A Scout, his or her parent or guardian, Unit Leader, or any member of the Unit Committee may file an Eagle Extension request.

The Eagle Extension request should be made using the form, "Request for Extension of Time to Earn the Eagle Scout Rank" (512-077) available in the 2021 BSA *Guide to Advancement*, Appendix, 11.2.0.0, and be submitted to the Council Registrar. See **Application Guidance** below.

The Registrar will notify the District Advancement Chair who will investigate the request details and present their findings to the Council Advancement Committee for consideration. The recommendation of the Council Advancement Committee will be provided to the Council Scout Executive for final review/approval. A decision letter will then be provided to the Scout, Parent/Guardian, Unit Leader, and requestor.

Application Guidance

To assist the Council Advancement Committee with the evaluation of the extension application the following information should be provided in support of the Scout meeting **all 3 tests** for an Eagle Extension:

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Test 1

- Date Scout was first registered with the Unit and explanation of any lapse in registration that may contribute to the need for the requested extension.
- Date of attaining **Life Scout Rank**.
- A brief explanation regarding how the Scout meets documented, reasonable, Unit expectations for “**Active Participation**” while a Life Scout or conforms with the alternative positive endeavors as specified in the *Guide to Advancement* 4.2.3.1.
 - If no Unit expectations are formally defined, readily maintained for awareness, and applied consistently for all rank advancements, then a brief description of the basis for demonstrating “Active Participation” must be included.
- Confirmation of completed Eagle required and elective Merit Badges
- **List of remaining Merit Badges** to be earned and the specific status/progress towards completion (list of incomplete requirements remaining, if ongoing/partial).
- Details regarding status/progress towards completion of **Position of Responsibility**. These details may also be used to support the “Active Participation” requirement.
- Details regarding status/progress towards completion of **Eagle Scout Service Project**.

Test 2

- Specific details regarding the **unforeseen circumstance or life changing event with severe consequences** that has come to exist and precludes completion of the requirement(s) before the deadline.

Test 3

- Specific details regarding why the unforeseen circumstance or life changing event with severe consequences were **beyond the control of the Scout, could not have been anticipated or planned for, and was not or cannot be resolved in time to complete the requirements**.

Justification for time requested (up to a maximum of 6 months)

- Provide a reasonable estimate of the time needed to complete all remaining requirements and the basis for this estimate.
 - In general, Eagle projects can take about 3 months to complete from concept to report
 - Typically, a Merit Badge can be completed in 1-2 months, depending on complexity of requirements
 - Personal Management and Personal Fitness have extended time-based requirements.
 - Partial requirements should require less time to complete.
- Some remaining requirements can be completed concurrently.
- Arbitrarily asking for 6 months is not sufficient justification.

Application Denial

If the Council denies an Eagle Extension request, the appeal process for an Eagle Extension that is not granted is specified in the BSA *Guide to Advancement* under topic 9.0.4.2.

