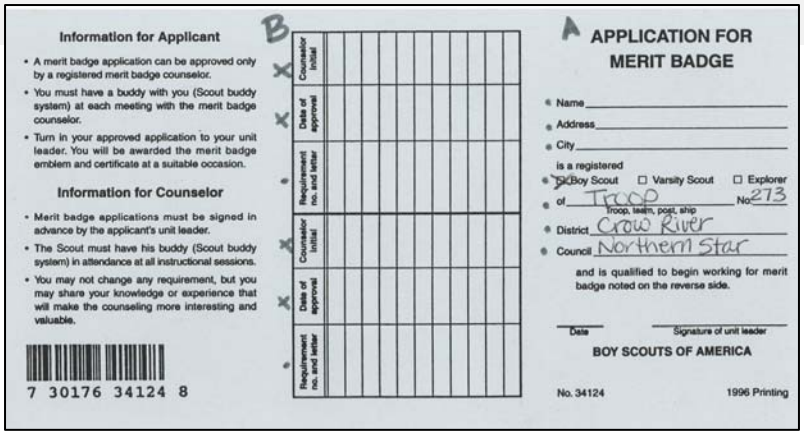
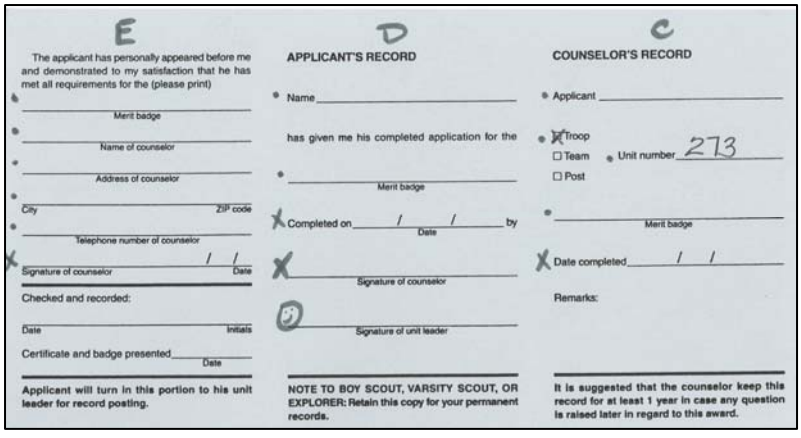
DELANO TROOP 273

MERIT BADGE PROCEDURE

IMPORTANT BSA POLICY:
Parents may assist scout with merit badge requirements ***AFTER*** your Scout has discussed this with his MB Counselor. MB Counselors must be on record at the Council before they can begin counseling scouts.
A MB Counselor ***MAY BE A FAMILY MEMBER and can sign off on his/her own scouts MB.***

1. Decide which merit badge you want to work on INDIVIDUALLY.
   + *If you want to do this as a group, talk to your Patrol Leader!*
2. See Advancement Chair for blue card & counselor info
3. Fill out blue card - SEE "A" ON SAMPLE. *(All items with a dot beside it.)*
3. Have Scoutmaster sign blue card – SEE "A" ON SAMPLE. *(Date & "signature of unit leader")*
4. Contact Merit Badge Counselor to set up appointment (IMPORTANT: You **must** bring someone with you when meeting with the Merit Badge Counselor.)
5. Fill in blue card – SEE "B, C, D, E" ON SAMPLE: *fill in all items with a dot next to it.*
6. Have Merit Badge Counselor sign off on blue card as you complete tasks – SEE "B" ON SAMPLE. *(All items with "x".)*
7. When merit badge is completed, have Merit Badge Counselor sign off final approval on blue card – SEE "C, D, E" ON SAMPLE: *the MB Counselor will fill in all items with an "x" next to it.* [COUNSELOR TO KEEP SECTION C.]
8. ~~Contact Advancement Chair to set up a Board of Review at the next available meeting~~.
9. ~~Bring to your Board of Review:~~
   a. respectful attitude,
   b. Class A uniform*,
   c. your scout book,
   ~~d. completed & signed blue card (as indicated above in 1-8),~~
   e. knowledge of your current standing with rank & merit badges,
   f. knowledge of what you did to complete merit badge(s) being reviewed
10. ~~After completing Board of Review, Advancement Chair will keep section A/E and return section "B/D" to you.~~
11. You take your section (B/D) to the Scoutmaster to be signed off – SEE "D" ON SAMPLE: *he'll sign by smiley face.*
12. YOU must retain your signed section (B/D) of the blue card for your records.
13. Troop 273 will maintain a copy of section "A" for our records.

*** NO SCOUT WILL BE GRANTED A BOARD OF REVIEW WITHOUT A CLASS A UNIFORM.**