



# Path from Life to Eagle

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## Prepare for a Scoutmaster Conference

Your Scoutmaster conference is usually the last step in your Eagle advancement process in the troop. It must be completed BEFORE you turn age 18.

This does not mean that you can't approach your Scoutmaster for a discussion at any time. It's not unusual to have several conversations before the final one where your rank requirements, project, and application are signed off. You can also approach the Life to Eagle Mentor or Troop Committee Chair during this time to get a better understanding of requirements, candidate notebook contents, and other details of the process.

In preparation for the final Scoutmaster conference, you will have completed the required merit badges, troop leadership, Eagle project, and all other requirements. Your Eagle candidate application and notebook should be assembled, compared to the Eagle Candidate Binder Checklist, and ready for review.

Your conference is more than just a check of the paperwork. You should be prepared to talk about your journey to this point in Scouting, skills you have learned through your rank progression, your goals, and how to prepare for the board of review. Reaching this point is a culmination of years of work and experience. You will have grown from learning Scouting skills to doing Scouting activities to being a Scout for life. It's a time to be well prepared and to celebrate.