Eagle Scout Boards of Review COVID Guidelines

Effective October 20, 2020, Eagle Scout Board of Reviews may be hosted in-person and virtually. These in-person protocols are designed using the Day Camp Industry Guidelines issued by the California Department of Public Health. Updates to these standards may be made as the State issues future orders. Guidelines will be used in conjunction with all processes in 2019 Guide to Advancement and the current Unit Restart Guide.

Processes will remain the same as normal Eagle Scout Boards of Review with COVID-19 safety protocols in place.

All Scouts must be given an option to participate in either a virtual or in-person Board of Review. Scouts cannot be forced to participate in one over the other.

- No more than 16 people may participate in a single board setting per day. For example: 3 board members + 1 Scout + 1 adult = 5. You can rotate up to 11 more Scouts and adult participants, using same board members. Districts may host multiple boards with different board members on the same day.
- 2. Boards must be conducted outside where all participants can physically distance at least six feet from each other. Inside reviews are not authorized at this time.
- 3. The owner of the venue must pre-approve the review. If conducted on public property, then all rules and regulations that apply to that property must be followed.
- 4. All participants must complete the health screening listed in the Unit Restart Guide. Participants need to check their temperature before arriving at the review. If a Scout is in or has a participant in his group in the high-risk category, they should request a virtual review.
- 5. All participants will wear masks. Masks need to cover the mouth and nose. This includes adult leaders, parents and family members that accompany the Eagle candidate.
- 6. Items such as chairs must be sanitized between reviews.
- 7. Hand sanitizer needs to be available for all participants and used between boards.
- 8. No food, snacks or drinks, other than individual water bottles are to be consumed during this review.
- 9. Instead of handshakes, we recommend that Scouts and board members use the Scout salute.
- 10. Each signer of documentation will use separate pens. Each board member will have their own separate copy of the paperwork. Final documentation will be compiled by the board chair 24 hours after the Board of Review.
- 11. Photos taken after the review will only be that of immediate family groups. If board members, leaders, etc. are asked to be included in the photo, all participants must wear a mask.
- 12. The board chair will maintain a list of all participants for the review each day to assist with contact tracing if needed.