

Merit Badge Program Quiz Answers

1. **False.** A counselor may be approved for as many badges as he or she is qualified. Since this is up to the members of the approving body to decide, they also may decide how many merit badges they feel it is necessary for a counselor to coach based upon need within the district or council.
2. **False.** A duly approved counselor may counsel any Scout who contacts him or her through proper procedures. However, it is suggested that wherever possible, Scouts should experience a variety of adult contacts and therefore, should use a diverse group of counselors.
3. **False.** All counselors must be approved by the district/council advancement committee.
4. **True.** Even volunteers who serve in multiple positions must fill out another form and show registration as a merit badge counselor.
5. **False.** A Scout may earn as many badges from a counselor as the counselor is qualified and approved to coach. However, since it is in the Scout's best interest that he experience a diversity of adult contacts, it is not in the spirit of the program to do so unless conditions warrant.
6. **False.** Counselor approvals are for one year only.
7. **False.** There is no time limit except that all requirements work must be completed before the Scout's 18th birthday.
8. **False.** No additions or deletions are permitted. The requirements are to be completed exactly as written. However, a counselor may share additional information or resources in the hope of encouraging the Scout to challenge himself.
9. **False.** There must always be a third person present, but it may be any other adult familiar to the Scout, a Scout's parent, or a Scout's "buddy." Common sense dictates that two adult counselors alone with only one Scout should be avoided.
10. **False.** No additions or deletions are permitted. The requirements are to be completed exactly as written.
11. **True.**
12. **True.** The *Boy Scout Requirements* book is revised annually and reflects any changes that have been made, whereas the merit badge pamphlets are not revised annually and may be outdated.