

## Qualify for Free Rank Insignia in 2019

The Northern Lights Council is pleased to offer Packs and Troops the opportunity to earn free rank insignia throughout 2019. Qualifying units will receive free rank insignia each time a Scout advances in rank. This offer is made possible by the annual Friends of Scouting campaign and council product sale. To qualify for free rank insignias a unit must meet each of the following requirements:

1. **Participate in Popcorn Sale** – the unit must participate in the council sponsored 2018 *Trail's End Popcorn* sale with a minimum of \$500 in total sales.
2. **Journey to Excellence** – Units must achieve at least “Bronze” level recognition in Scouting's *Journey to Excellence* in 2018.
  - The Journey to Excellence unit scorecard must be completed, signed and submitted.
3. **On-time Charter Renewal** – To be considered “on-time” the charter renewal paperwork must:
  - Be received by a district representative by the district due date (see below)
  - Be complete, with fees, error-free and ready to process by the final deadline (no missing signatures, required applications, Youth Protection training certificates, etc.)

Charters that <u>expire on</u> :	*District Due Date:	Final Deadline (in Service Center)
December 31, 2018	November 21, 2018	December 14, 2018
January 31, 2019	December 19, 2018	January 18, 2019
February 28, 2019	January 23, 2019	February 15, 2019

*\*The district due dates will allow unit leaders to work with a district representative in addressing any corrective actions that need to be taken so the charter can be turned in to the Council Service Center by the Final deadline.*

4. **Friends of Scouting** – Unit must attain 2019 *Friends of Scouting* goal.
  - Presentations should be held between November 1, 2018 and March 31, 2019
  - The minimum goal is determined by:
    - Number of registered youths listed on charter renewal paperwork x \$40

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**The unit may begin taking advantage of the Free Rank Insignia program as soon as all four requirements have been met.**

The attached form should be submitted once all four requirements have been met (not before).

# Free Rank Insignia Form - 2019

District \_\_\_\_\_

Unit Type \_\_\_\_\_ (Pack or Troop)

Unit Number \_\_\_\_\_

**Requirements:**

Sell at least \$500 in the 2018 Popcorn Sale

Total Sales \_\_\_\_\_

Achieve "Bronze" or higher in 2018 JTE

Level \_\_\_\_\_

- o Turned in with charter renewal paperwork

Charter Renewal paperwork on-time

Date Received \_\_\_\_\_

- o Depending upon expiration month, deadlines are 12/14/18, 1/18/19 or 2/15/19

2019 Unit FOS goal attained (youth x \$40)

Goal \_\_\_\_\_

- o Presentations held between 10/1/18 and 3/31/19

Actual Pledges \_\_\_\_\_

***For council use only:***

The information listed above was verified by

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

A copy of this form must be submitted to the Scout Shop staff.