

**Application for Certification
of a Catholic Religious Emblems Coordinator, Counselor, or Facilitator**

Name _____

Street
Address _____

City or Town _____ Zip
Code _____

Phone _____

Email
Address _____

Name/town of
parish _____

I am registered with the following
council _____

I am registered with Pack # _____ or Troop

Town of Pack or
Troop _____

By completing this training, you are certified to be a coordinator, counselor or
facilitator for all four Catholic religious emblems. However, I wish to be listed
only as a: (please check all that apply)

_____ Coordinator for Cub Scout Light of Christ and Parvuli Dei

_____ Coordinator for Boy Scouts Ad Altare Dei and Pope Pius XII

_____ Coordinator for all

_____ Ad Altare Dei Counselor

_____ Pope Pius XII Facilitator

NOTE: Coordinators, counselors, and facilitators, working directly with Scouts on medals must complete the online training and comply with all Youth Protection Policies.

I also serve in the following capacity within the Boston Archdiocese and/or my parish:

The following endorsement is required or a letter from the pastor of your parish

Please have this section signed by your pastor. Or you may attach a letter of endorsement from your pastor in lieu of having this section signed. **The pastor must verify that you have a current and clear CORI.**

This applicant is a member of this parish in good standing and I know of no reason why the applicant should not function as a religious emblem's coordinator, counselor, or facilitator for Scouting within this parish or elsewhere in the Archdiocese.

Date _____

Name _____

Parish _____

Town _____

Please submit all pages of this form.

Boston Catholic Committee on Scouting only

All necessary information is included, and this individual is certified to be a Catholic religious emblem coordinator, counselor, and/or facilitator.

Print Name _____

Title _____

Signature _____

Date _____

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

**Scout Coordinator/ Facilitator/Counselor of the Catholic Religious Emblem Program for
the Boston Catholic Committee on Scouting in the Archdiocese of Boston**

The Boy Scouts of America (BSA) and the Girl Scouts of America (USGSA) are proud of their

long-standing and mutually supportive relationship with the Catholic Church, which dates to the early 1900s. It is understood that the motivating force in Scouting is spiritual and that through a relationship with Scouts, each boy and girl is encouraged to become a disciple of Jesus Christ and a participating member of his/her parish.

The Boston Catholic Committee on Scouting (BCCS) acknowledges the long history of mutual support and close cooperation with Scouting. Scout troops have been a consistent presence in many of our parishes and schools, working in close cooperation with Catholic pastors, principals, and other church leaders to nurture the healthy development of young men and women, and building faith through the Catholic Religious Awards Programs. The BCCS has benefited from the extraordinary volunteer service by Catholic women and men who have found in the Scouting program a means to help Catholic boys and girls develop into knowledgeable Catholic men and women who are followers of Jesus Christ.

Based on mutual respect and shared values, the facilitator/coordinator/advisor agrees to the following:

- Communicate and adhere to the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church to the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts with whom they are working;
- Maintain regular, ongoing communication with the Boston Catholic Committee on Scouting.
- Be screened and approved by BSA or USGSA in accord with BSA and USGSA policies and procedures and the policies and procedures of the Archdiocese of Boston which includes maintaining a clear, annual CORI through the Scout leader's parish;
- Ensure that at least two adult registered Scout volunteers at least 21 years of age (or a parent/legal guardian and an Archdiocese of Boston CORI cleared and registered Scout volunteer) are present at each meeting in which Scouts are present and that the health and safety of all is of utmost importance. There must be a registered female adult leader 21 years of age or over in every unit serving females. A registered female adult leader 21 years of age or over must be present for any activity involving female youth. This female must also have a current and clear CORI through the chartered organization associated with the Archdiocese

of Boston.

- To conduct and teach classes in compliance with Catholic teaching and diocesan policy, especially its small child protection policies;
- Promote and provide support for the achievement of Catholic religious emblems and awards;
- Establish regular, clear and ongoing communication with parents of Scouts participating in the program.

The Catholic Committee on Scouting agrees to:

- Provide ongoing support for Catholic religious awards programs through its Boston Catholic Committee on Scouting and the Family Life & Ecclesial Movements Ministry;
- Provide guidance and support to coordinators, facilitators, and counselors in matters related to Catholic teaching and/or Archdiocesan policy. This Memorandum of Understanding will be in effect for three years and may be terminated by any one of the above parties at any time.

Coordinator/Facilitator/Counselor

Print Name _____

Title _____

Date _____

Signature _____

Boston Catholic Committee on Scouting Designee

Print Name _____