



National Sea Scout Quarterdeck Application Form

Qualifications: To be considered for a position on the National Sea Scout Quarterdeck and/or National Sea Scout Boatswain or National Boatswain's Mate, an applicant must:

1. Be an active registered member of a Sea Scout Ship. If you are 18 or over, you must have submitted an adult application through your ship to your local Council and have completed BSA Youth Protection.
2. Be a current or past ship's boatswain; or a current or past officer in your council.
3. Be recommended and approved by his or her Council Scout Executive.
4. Be a current primary registered Sea Scout in their council. Must be a registered youth in Sea Scouting during their complete term of office.
5. If selected, you must not reach the age of 21 before May 31 of the following year.

Term of Office: Sea Scout selected for a national position will serve from June 1 to May 31 of the following year

Council name _____ Council No. _____ Council Service Territory _____

Officially nominates the following Sea Scout:

Name _____ Sea Scout Rank: _____

Street Address: _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Day phone _____ Evening phone _____ Mobile phone _____
(Area code + No.) (Area code + No.) (Area code + No.)

Email _____

Parent's/Guardian's name _____

Parent's/Guardian's phone _____ Parent's/Guardian email _____

Date of birth _____ Currently registered in Ship No. _____

Chartered organization _____

Present or past Boatswain's position held _____

NYLT/NAYLE/SEAL Class (if applicable) _____

Year, Location, Course Director

Nominee's agreement: I am interested, able and willing to serve in the following positions. (Please check all that apply).

National Boatswain

National Boatswain's Mate

National Sea Scout Support Lead

I hereby certify that I meet the qualifications for the above-nominated position(s). I understand that I may apply for multiple positions; however, if selected, I can serve in only one position per year. I understand that an incomplete application and missing signatures, will cause me to not be considered for the position(s) for which I am applying.

Nominee's signature _____ Date _____

Parent's/Guardian's Approval _____

Skipper's Approval _____ Phone number _____ Date _____
(Area code + No.)

Skipper's email _____

Local council approval: *We recommend and approve this Sea Scout for the above position(s). They meet the qualifications, and will be under the age of 21 during the entire term in office.*

Scout executive's approval _____ Date _____

All complete submissions must be received by the deadline below. If your complete application is not received by the National Commodore by the deadline, you will not be eligible for the position. Upload your application using the upload button at <https://seascout.org/news/apply-for-national-boatswain/>

National Sea Scout Boatswain: **March 15**

National Sea Scout Boatswain's Mate: **Last Day of March**

National Sea Scout Support Leads: **Last Day of March**

For any questions, contact current National Boatswain 2023-2024 Evan Nazareth

falconrun22@gmail.com

Submit with Signature Forms

Headshot

Attach a 3-by-5-inch color photograph for publicity purposes. This must be a head-and-shoulders shot and you must be wearing the official Sea Scout uniform and be of reproduction quality. You must include your photo as part of your application.

Letters of Recommendation

If you are applying to be the National Boatswain or National Boatswain's Mate, *two letters of recommendation* are required. If you are only applying to be a National Sea Scout Support Lead, only *one recommendation* is required. Letters of Recommendation must not be included in your application and be sent directly to the National Commodore. The subject of the email should read: LOR *Applicant Name*. The letters of recommendation should be emailed by the author to: bengmferil@gmail.com.

Talent Release Form

This form allows us to post your headshot and biographical information on all BSA and Sea Scout web sites and social media accounts. Link for talent release is on:

<https://seascout.org/news/apply-for-national-boatswain/>

NQD Code of Conduct

The purpose of a code of conduct is to ensure that the selected members of the NQD understand their professional duties in their positions. Link for code of conduct is on:

<https://seascout.org/news/apply-for-national-boatswain/>

Application

No more than six total pages stating your qualifications to be considered for the position. These pages should include:

1. Resume (can be more than one page. We want to know as much about the candidate as possible)
 1. Sea Scout Experience
 1. This includes leadership experience, awards, training, and other activities related to Sea Scouts, including documentation of nautical skill competencies as evidenced by certificates from United States Power Squadrons, U.S Coast Guard Auxiliary, or other safe-boater education organizations recognized by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA)
 2. Other Community Involvement
 1. This includes honors, leadership positions, awards, and training from religious institutions, Scouting, and other organizations.
 3. School Involvement
 1. School awards, clubs, sports, scholarships, and leadership positions
 4. Additional Relevant Information if necessary
 1. Work experience, relevant personal info
2. Short Response Questions: All applicants, please provide an answer to all four questions.
 1. A statement on college or career plans (at least 100 words)
 2. A brief statement on why you want to be the National Sea Scout Boatswain, a National Boatswain Mate, or a National Sea Scout Support Lead. Please include your vision for the future of Sea Scouts (at least 150 words)
 3. If selected as Boatswain, what goals do you have and what specific steps would you take to implement them? (at least 150 words)
 4. What other commitments do you have?

National Quarterdeck's Mission

The mission of the National Quarterdeck is: To grow, promote, and develop the Sea Scout program and its resources to best support council and unit Sea Scout activities and work to enhance Sea Scout presence at the local and national level by improving communication, showcasing the values of the program, and exploring new ideas. The National Quarterdeck consists of the National Boatswain, National Boatswain's Mate, and the National Sea Scout Support Leads.

- The National Boatswain leads the National Quarterdeck and works with the National Sea Scout Executive Committee.
- The National Boatswain's Mates work alongside the National Boatswain to cover the areas of program, administration, communications, and help to oversee the National Sea Scout Support Leads that support Councils and Ships from the west to the east.
- The National Sea Scout Support Leads work to support Councils and Ships within their designated territories, foster growth for Sea Scouts, and collaborate with the National Boatswain's Mates and National Boatswain to support approved initiatives.

Selection Process

After reviewing the applications, the National Boatswain Selection Committee will select a certain number of applicants to be interviewed for National Boatswain and other positions on the National Quarterdeck. The incoming National Boatswain appoints the incoming National Boatswain's Mates. The incoming National Boatswain can have an interview process for these positions if he or she wishes.

If you are not selected or interviewed for the National Boatswain position and you have checked that you are interested in applying to serve as a National Sea Scout Support Lead, your application will be given to the incoming National Boatswain, and he or she will review your application and decide whether to interview you for the position.