Ranger of the Year Packet

Evaluation Year Fall of 2005 through Summer of 2006

This Packet will include:

- An explanation of the purpose of the Ranger of the Year program
- Explanation of the ROTY process for each level of evaluation
- Reproducible copies of the ROTY Study Guides for boys

Introduction

Purpose of Ranger of the Year: To challenge boys to set goals for achievement that have a predetermined set of rewards. The design of Ranger of the Year is to develop and train as many boys as possible to become Rangers of the Year. Each church, section, district, and region should endeavor to produce as many Rangers of the Year as possible. We want all boys to achieve, to grow, and to become successful men of God.

Timelines for Ranger of the Year:

- Outpost Ranger of the Year should be awarded before the beginning of the new school year (by mid-September).
- Section Ranger of the Year should be held before the end of September.
- District Ranger of the Year should be held before the end of October.
- Region Ranger of the Year should be held before the middle of February.
- The National Rangers of the Year will be eligible to attend the National Council held in March in Springfield, MO.

ROTY Evaluation Elements by Group

	Application Form	Uniform	Written	Skills	Interview	Speech
Outpost						
Section						
District					(a)	ONLY
Region		(3)				

Ranger of the Year Qualification

There are two ways for qualifying to participate in the ROTY evaluations.

Category A:

If a boy has earned both the required number of points on his ROTY application and achieved the advancement level stated in the ROTY chart, he will automatically qualify to participate at that level (section or district). There is no limit on the number of boys that can qualify to participate in the ROTY. Once a boy has entered the ROTY evaluations, he can continue to advance to the next level as long as he achieves an Outstanding level (85% or higher) in his evaluation.

Category B:

OUTPOST: In the event that an <u>outpost</u> does not have a minimum of two boys from each Royal Rangers group who qualify as per Category A, they may send the appropriate number of boys from each group with the highest application scores to the sectional evaluation. These boys will be evaluated and receive recognition for Excellent or Outstanding levels, depending on their evaluation score. <u>All</u> boys who achieve an Outstanding level at section or district are qualified to continue to the next level of evaluation.

SECTION & DISTRICT: In the event that a <u>section or district</u> does not have a minimum of two boys from each Royal Rangers group who qualify as per Category A, they may send the appropriate number of boys with the highest evaluation scores to the next level of evaluation. These boys will be evaluated at the next level and receive recognition for Excellent or Outstanding levels, depending on their evaluation score. <u>All</u> boys who achieve an Outstanding level at section or district are qualified to continue to the next level of evaluation.

Royal Ranger	Outpost	Section	District	Region
Group	_			
RANGER	Completion of one of the following trails–Elk, Wolverine, or Cougar–& 250 points on ROTY application OR Category B	Completion of two of the following trails–Elk, Wolverine, or Cougar–& 350 points on ROTY application OR Category B	Ranger of the Year is not recommended at the district level	
OLSCOVERY)	Gold Falcon & 500 points on ROTY application OR Category B	Gold Hawk & 600 points on ROTY application OR Category B	Gold Eagle & 700 points on ROTY application OR Category B	
**************************************	BMA & 500 points on ROTY application OR Category B	SMA & 700 points on ROTY application OR Category B	GMA & 900 points on ROTY application OR Category B	GMA & 1000 points* OR Category B
	Adventurer or BMA & 700 points on ROTY application OR Category B	Discoverer or SMA & 850 points on ROTY application OR Category B	Achievement Medal or GMA & 1000 points on ROTY application OR Category B	GMA & 1000 points* OR Category B

^{*} Must participate at the district level and achieve an Outstanding to qualify for region level.

BMA — Bronze Medal of Achievement

SMA — Silver Medal of Achievement

GMA — Gold Medal of Achievement

Outpost ROTY

ROTY Application Information: The commander and/or parent can assist the boy in filling out the form correctly. Use the Application Instructions found on the national RR website to fill out the application. The chart on the first page of the application will determine how the boy qualifies to be an Outpost Ranger of the Year. Evaluations are not necessary at this level.

<u>NOTE</u>: If the outpost has one or no boys who qualify for the Section ROTY at each age level, then they can send two of their most qualified boys to the Section ROTY at each age level. It is important that every outpost be represented at the section level.



Bible Merits and/or Memorization: Throughout the year, each boy is learning about biblical truths and memorizing Scriptures.

Medals, Certificates, and Awards: The Outpost ROTY medallion (item #15-7650), available through Gospel Publishing House, is available for each boy achieving the level of Outpost ROTY. It has a blue ribbon that is draped over the neck. A certificate should be awarded to the boy. A special nametag can also be awarded. The specifications below can be used when ordering it from a local trophy shop.

Nametag guidelines

Ranger Kids: Yellow tag with black inscription
Discovery Rangers: Red tag with white inscription
Adventure Rangers: Burgundy tag with white inscription
Expedition Rangers: Black tag with white inscription

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General Information for Section, District, and Region Event

Boys' scores will help them see how they measure up to an established standard, what they can do to improve their skills, and how to set measurable goals and plan to achieve those goals.

- All boys will be evaluated using objective mechanisms. This will insure a standard that
 can be consistently applied throughout the United States. Boys will be encouraged to
 work towards high standards of achievement instead of competing against each other.
- If a boy meets the qualification requirements to attend the District ROTY event, he is not required to attend the Section ROTY event. However, it is highly recommended to attend the Section ROTY event to help the boy better prepare and determine his readiness for the District ROTY event.
- The boys will no longer be required to bring their workbooks to the ROTY events.
- **ROTY Application Information:** Each boy participating in any level of ROTY will submit the Ranger of the Year application. The application and the evaluation will measure the total boy and the four ways he grows.
- **Evaluation:** The ROTY application can help commanders and boys determine how well they have done in the past year. They can then see how they can improve and what activities they should plan for the coming year.
- **Bible Merits and/or Memorization:** The specific Scriptures and Bible merits boys will need to concentrate on can be found in the ROTY Study Guides. Boys should have a thorough knowledge of these biblical requirements. Questions will be drawn directly from the materials found in the boys' workbooks. The evaluation at each level will be more comprehensive then the one before. The boys should study their evaluation sheets from the previous level of ROTY to determine where they can improve.
- **Costs and Expenses:** Each level of ROTY may require a registration fee for participating in the event. This fee and other expenses incurred by the boy are his responsibility. These may include, but are not limited to, registration fee, travel, food, and lodging.
- **Preparation for ROTY Evaluation:** Commanders may want to provide a time for boys to fill out their forms and finish any work that may be incomplete. Below is a plan to help the boys in your outpost prepare for and meet the high expectations of a Ranger of the Year. Every boy should be encouraged and challenged to excel in the Ranger of the Year program.

Commander

- Review the information in the ROTY Study Guide.
- Allow the boys to demonstrate their skills. Giving boys opportunities to train others will provide the best opportunities for learning.
- Maintain good records. This includes the boys' workbooks. They should keep all their work in their workbooks so they can refer to it often. In addition, use the RR data tracking software available to all chartered outpost to track all the activities, events, and achievements for the boys.

- Encourage the boys to read the suggested chapters from their handbooks, listed on the ROTY Study Guide.
- Review times—The eleventh week of every quarter is designated as a review week. Use that time to reinforce knowledge and skills. In addition, you may want to hold merit campouts or merit overnighters at the church.
- ROTY Review Day—Establish a review time between the Section ROTY and District ROTY events. Invite all the boys to spend the day reviewing the requirements and materials. Enlist the help of the boys to teach and/or review. You could fill the day with activities and fun in order to give the boys a balanced day. Provide a simple lunch or snacks.

Boy

- Review the information in the ROTY Study Guide.
- Put all your work in your workbook so you can refer to it later when you need to study for the ROTY evaluation.
- Read the suggested chapters from your handbook, listed on the ROTY Study Guide.
- Practice the speech. (This is for Adventure and Expedition Rangers at the district and region levels only.) Make sure to have good visual aids, PowerPoint, or other aids to enhance the speech. Make sure the speech is between 3-5 minutes in length.

ROTY Study Guide:

- <u>Uniform Inspection</u>: It is based on the boys' handbooks. The boys will be evaluated in their Class B khaki uniform (Class B red shirt for Ranger Kids). They can wear short sleeve or long sleeve shirts, but they must wear long pants.
- <u>Skills Evaluation</u>: Boys will be able to choose three of four skill merits for their evaluation. In addition, they will have to demonstrate some basic Royal Ranger skills. Ranger Kids will be asked to sign (sign language) three Scriptures from memory.
- Written Evaluation: Boys will be expected to have general Royal Ranger knowledge, based on the handbooks. Part of the written evaluation will include their knowledge of specified Bible merits and skill merits. In addition, achievement awards, merits awards, and other advancement questions will be part of the evaluation. The evaluations will be age-appropriate for every Royal Ranger group.
- <u>Speech</u> (District & Region Levels): This is for boys in Adventure and Expedition Rangers **ONLY**. They will need to prepare a 3 to 5-minute speech. The boys are encouraged to develop visual aids, PowerPoints, or other multi-media aids to enhance their presentations. Review the Public Speaking merit for information on how to best prepare and for the format used in judging. (**Note:** If a boy is using PowerPoint or other computer aided formats, he will need to bring a CD with him. A computer and projector will be available for him to use.)
- <u>Goal-Setting Interview</u>: Boys will be interviewed by a panel of commanders to assist the boy in setting goals, making plans to achieve them, and determining areas in which he can improve. This is a non-scoring part of the ROTY.

Day of the ROTY Evaluation: The boys will typically begin the ROTY with an introductory meeting to explain the day's agenda. It is important to make note of the instructions. Boys will rotate through stations as they demonstrate, write, or meet with commanders. The commanders evaluating the boys should provide a comfortable environment for the evaluation. The Adventure and Expedition Ranger boys will be given time to set up their displays and visual aids for the required speech.

Evaluation: After the ROTY event, each boy will receive a summary of how he did. (His evaluations will be corrected and returned to him.) He can use this information to determine where he scored well and where he needs to improve for the next level of ROTY. If he does not advance to the next level, he can determine what he needs to do the following year to improve his skills and knowledge.

Outstanding and Excellent Levels of Achievement: During the ROTY events at the section and above, the boys will be challenged to strive for the following levels of achievement.

Please note: Only those boys attaining the Outstanding and Excellent levels of achievement will carry the title of Ranger of the Year.

- The Outstanding Level of Achievement is attained with a total score of **85% or higher**.
- The Excellent Level of Achievement is attained with a score equal to or greater than 70% but less than 85% on the total evaluation.
- Those boys scoring less than 70% on their evaluation should receive a certificate of participation.
- Attendance and participation in Ranger of the Year at each level, section through region, is required in order to earn the drape medal and ROTY nametag.

Biblical Requirements

Category	RANGER	DISCOVERY	ADVENTURE **	MARKET
Memorization Boys in Ranger Kids must be able to memorize any two years of advancement of their choice.	ELK Leviticus 19:32 Psalm 139:14 WOLVERINE Genesis 1:28 1 Cor. 16:13-14 COUGAR Matt. 7:13-14 James 1:17	John 3:16 John 1:12 Romans 3:23 1 John 1:9 Romans 6:23 Rev. 3:20	John 3:16 John 1:12 Romans 3:23 1 John 1:9 Romans 6:23 Rev. 3:20	John 3:16 John 1:12 Romans 3:23 1 John 1:9 Romans 6:23 Rev. 3:20
Bible Merits	N/A	2 Samuel 1 Kings Esther Daniel Mark Luke John Acts	Psalms Proverbs Isaiah 1 Timothy Hebrews James 1 John Revelations	N/A
Sprit Challenge	N/A	N/A	N/A	Lessons 51-75

Section ROTY

Application Information: The chart on the first page of the application will determine how the boy qualifies to attend the Section Ranger of the Year. Use the Application Instructions found on the national RR website to fill out the application. His ability to achieve the "outstanding" level during the evaluation at the ROTY will be based solely upon his skills, knowledge, and achievement.

The section may have an additional form for the boys to fill out and send to them. This will help them prepare by determining the number of boys that will be participating. Boys may qualify to participate at the Section ROTY by category "A" or "B."

<u>NOTE</u>: If the section has one or no boys who qualify for the District ROTY at each age group, then they can send two of their most qualified boys to the District ROTY at each age group. It is important that every section be represented at the district level.



Bible Merits, Spirit Challenges, and/or Memorization: See the chart on page 6 to determine what Bible merits or memorization will be evaluated at the section event.

District ROTY

Application Information: The chart on the first page of the application will determine how the boy qualifies to attend the District Ranger of the Year. Use the Application Instructions found on the national RR website to fill out the application. His ability to achieve the "outstanding" level during the evaluation at the ROTY will be based solely upon his skills, knowledge, and achievement.

The district may have an additional form for the boys to fill out and send to them. This will help them prepare by determining the number of boys that will be participating. Boys may qualify to participate at the District ROTY by category "A" or "B."

<u>NOTE</u>: If the district has one or no boys who qualify for the Region ROTY at each age group, then they can send two of their most qualified boys to the Region ROTY at each age group. It is important that every district be represented at the regional level.



Bible Merits, Spirit Challenges, and/or Memorization: See the chart on page 6 to determine what Bible merits or memorization will be evaluated at the district event.

Region & National ROTY

Application Information: The chart on the first page of the application will determine how the boy qualifies to attend the Region Ranger of the Year. Use the Application Instructions found on the national RR website to fill out the application. His ability to achieve the "outstanding" level during the evaluation at the ROTY will be based solely upon his skills, knowledge, and achievement.

The region may have an additional form for the boys to fill out and send to them. This will help them prepare by determining the number of boys that will be participating. Boys may qualify to participate at the Region ROTY by category "A" or "B."

<u>NOTE</u>: The highest scoring Expedition Ranger will be honored as a National Ranger of the Year, representing his region.

Bible Merits, Spirit Challenges, and/or Memorization: See the chart on page 6 to determine what Bible merits or memorization will be evaluated at the region event.

Note: A boy can attain National ROTY status once in his career as a Royal Ranger.

Medals, Certificates, and Awards

Section: These medallions are restricted and can only be purchased by the district.

- The Outstanding level medallion has a red, white, and blue ribbon for boys scoring 85% or higher. The medallions will be awarded at the Sectional ROTY event. A special nametag may also be awarded.
- The Excellent level medallion has a red ribbon for boys scoring equal to or greater than 70% and less than 85%.
- All other participants will receive a participation certificate.



Nametag guidelines

Ranger Kids:

Discovery Rangers:
Adventure Rangers:
Expedition Rangers:

Red tag with white inscription
Burgundy tag with white inscription
Black tag with white inscription

Size: Width: 3 inches Height: 3/4 inches

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NOTE: A boy must participate in the section evaluation to receive the medallion.

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District: These medallions are restricted and can only be purchased by the district.

- The Outstanding level medallion has a red, white, and blue ribbon for boys scoring 85% or higher. The medallions will be awarded at the District ROTY event. A special nametag may also be awarded.
- The Excellent level medallion has a gold ribbon for boys scoring equal to or greater than 70% and less than 85%.
- All other participants will receive a participation certificate.

Name tag guidelines

Discovery Rangers: Red tag with white inscription
Adventure Rangers: Burgundy tag with white inscription
Expedition Rangers: Black tag with white inscription

Size: Width: 3 inches Height: 3/4 inches

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NOTE: A boy must participate in the district evaluation to receive the medallion.

Region: These medallions are restricted and can only be purchased by the region.

- The Outstanding level medallion has a red, white, and blue ribbon for boys scoring 85% or higher. The medallions will be awarded at the Region ROTY event. A special nametag may also be awarded.
- The Excellent level medallion has a gold ribbon for boys scoring equal to or greater than 70% and less than 85%.
- The highest scorer in Expedition Rangers will be honored as the National Ranger of the Year and receive a National ROTY medallion with a red, white, and blue ribbon. A special nametag will also be awarded.
- All other participants should receive a participation certificate.

Name tag guidelines

Adventure Rangers: Burgundy tag with white inscription Expedition Rangers: Black tag with white inscription

Size: Width: 3 inches Height: 3/4 inches

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NOTE: A boy must participate in the region evaluation to receive the medallion.

NOTE: A boy can attain National ROTY status once in his career as a Royal Ranger.



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Ranger Kids

Area of Evaluation	Points Possible	Study Areas
Uniform	100	Handbook: Read chapter 4. Pay special attention to pages 69-72. Make sure your uniform is clean, neatly pressed, and fitted properly. Patches may be worn in plastic sleeves. A vest is not evaluated.
Skills The NIV or KJV can be used by the boys for their memorization work.	200	Handbook: Read chapters 5 and 6. The boy may choose to be evaluated on any three of the achievement awards listed below: ELK: Help the Commander, Firefighter Wolverine: Government, Safety Cougar: Tying Knots, Be a Friend Workbook: Sign Language – ELK: Ephesians 6:1; Wolverine: Matthew 5:16; Cougar: James 1:17 Bible: Boys in Ranger Kids must be able to memorize any 2 pairs of memory verses of their choice. ELK: Leviticus 19:32 and Psalms 139:14 Wolverine: Genesis 1:28 and 1 Corinthians 16:13-14 Cougar: Matthew 7:13-14 and James 1:17
Written	200	Handbook: Read chapter 1, 3, 5, 6, and 7. Workbook: The boys will be evaluated on any two years of advancement. ELK: Blue points—Alert, Loyal, Honest, and Spiritual. Know the pledge to the United States and Christian flags. Wolverine: Blue points—Clean, Courageous, Courteous, and Obedient. Know the song "Jesus Loves the Little Children" and list five ways to obey at home. Cougar: Gold points—Physical, Spiritual, Mental, and Social. Red points—Salvation, Baptism in the Holy Spirit, Healing, and Rapture. Know the song "Ready."
Speech	N/A	Not applicable at any level.
Application	100	Make sure the application is filled out completely.
Goal-Setting Interview	N/A	Be prepared to answer questions on your interests, hobbies, and what you want to do in Royal Rangers and the church.



Discovery Rangers

Area of Evaluation	Points Possible	Study Areas		
Uniform	100	Handbook: Read chapter 4. Pay special attention to pages 48-49. Make sure your uniform is clean, neatly pressed, and fitted properly. Patches may be worn in plastic sleeves. A vest is not evaluated.		
Skills The NIV or KJV can be used by the boys for their memorization work.	200	Handbook: Read chapters 1, 2, and 3. Workbook: The boy may choose to be evaluated on any three of the four blue and red merits listed below: Red Merits – Fingerprinting, Lashing, Compass Blue Merits – Chess Bible: Boys will be expected to memorize the salvation plan Scriptures listed below: John 3:16 Romans 3:23 Romans 6:23 John 1:12 1 John 1:9 Revelations 3:20		
Written	200	Handbook: Read chapters 5-8. Workbook: The boy may choose to be evaluated on any three of the four blue and red merits listed below: Red Merits – Fingerprinting, Lashing, Compass Blue Merits – Chess Bible: The boy will be evaluated on all eight of the orange Bible merits listed below: 2 Samuel, 1 Kings, Esther, Daniel, Mark, Luke, John, and Acts		
Speech	N/A	Not applicable at any level.		
Application	100	Make sure the application is filled out completely.		
Goal-Setting Interview	N/A	Be prepared to answer questions on your interests, hobbies, and what you want to do in Royal Rangers and the church.		



Adventure Rangers

Area of Evaluation	Points Possible	Study Areas		
Uniform	100	Handbook: Read chapter 5. Pay special attention to pages 64-68. Make sure your uniform is clean, neatly pressed, and fitted properly. Patches may be worn in plastic sleeves. A vest is not evaluated.		
Skills The NIV or KJV can be used by the boys for their memorization work.	200	Handbook: Read chapter 6. Workbook: The boy may choose to be evaluated on any three of the four green and gold merits listed below: Green Merits – Archery Gold Merits – Communications, Citizenship, Hiking Bible: The boy will be expected to memorize the salvation plan Scriptures listed below: John 3:16 Romans 3:23 Romans 6:23 John 1:12 1 John 1:9 Revelations 3:20		
Written	200	Handbook: Read chapters 1-11 and 13. Workbook: The boy may choose to be evaluated on any three of the four green and gold merits listed below: Green Merits – Archery Gold Merits – Communications, Citizenship, Hiking Bible: The boy will be evaluated on all eight of the brown Bible merits listed below: Psalms, Proverbs, Isaiah, 1 Timothy, Hebrews, James, 1 John, and Revelations		
Speech	100	 To be given at the district and regional levels only. 3 to 5-minute informative speech The topic is "What are three important elements of effective discipleship." Use visual aids, PowerPoints, or other multi-media aids to enhance presentation. Review the Public Speaking merit for information on how to best prepare. The boy will be scored with the format found in the Public Speaking merit. 		
Application	100	Make sure the application is filled out completely.		
Goal-Setting Interview	N/A	Be prepared to answer questions on your interests, hobbies, and what you want to do in Royal Rangers and the church.		



Expedition Rangers

Area of Evaluation	Points Possible	Study Areas	
Uniform	100	Handbook: Read chapter 6. The only uniform to be evaluated will be the Class B khaki uniform. Make sure your uniform is clean, neatly pressed, and fitted properly. Patches may be worn in plastic sleeves. A vest is not evaluated.	
Skills	200	Handbook: Read chapter 14 "Advanced Map and Compass Orienteering." Workbook: The boy may choose any three of the four silver merits listed below: AIR RANGERS – Flight Navigation, Airplane Performance, Weight & Balance, Aviation Weather Fundamentals HIGH ACTION RANGERS – Rock Climbing, Sailing, Wilderness Survival, Advanced Backpacking SEA RANGERS – Knowledge of Boats, Weather Maps & Signs, Basic Navigation, Aids to Navigation TRAIL RANGERS – Wilderness Survival, Advanced Backpacking, Surveying, Rock Climbing Optional Merits: The boy may choose one of the following three optional merits to substitute for any of the silver merits above: Auto Mechanics, Golf, Fly Fishing Bible: Boys will be expected to memorize the salvation plan Scriptures listed below: John 3:16 Romans 3:23 Romans 6:23 John 1:12 1 John 1:9 Revelations 3:20	
Written	200	Handbook: Read chapters 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 13. Workbook: See Skills section. The merits are exactly the same. Spirit Challenges: The boy will be evaluated on Spirit Challenges 51-75.	
Speech	100	To be given at the district and regional levels only. • 3 to 5-minute informative speech • The topic is "What are three important elements of effective discipleship." • Use visual aids, PowerPoints, or other multi-media aids to enhance presentation. Review the Public Speaking merit for information on how to best prepare. The boy will be scored with the format found in the Public Speaking merit.	
Application	100	Make sure the application is filled out completely.	
Goal-Setting Interview	N/A	Be prepared to answer questions on your interests, hobbies, and what you want to do in Royal Rangers and the church.	