Dear Merit Badge Counselor;

First I would like to thank you for your time and commitment to the scouts of the Pennsylvania Dutch Council as a Shooting Sports Merit Badge Counselor. Your commitment, like many others, has gone to advancing the skills and character of many of the scouts that have gone through our council.

The National Office has been updating the merit badge requirements for aquatics, climbing, shooting etc., along with the requirements for the counselors. National required that each council form a committee for Shooting Sports, Aquatics, and Climbing. Due to the nature of one or more of the merit badges you are registered to instruct, additional trainings and/or certifications are required.

Attached are the requirements to be a counselor for each merit badge. Please review the requirements for each badge, and send a copy of your certifications to the council office. Please forward this information to the Pennsylvania Dutch Council office.

Shooting Sports Merit Badge Counselor Worksheet

Our Records show that your certification in the following has either expired, will expire soon, or is incomplete. These must be completed in order for you to remain registered as a Merit Badge Counselor. Please fill in the missing information and return this form along with a copy of the certifying document to the PA Dutch Council office by **March 15, 2012.**

Required for all Shooting Sports Counselors: Youth Protection Be at Least 21 Years of Age	Expiration Date DOB
Rifle Merit Badge (1 Required for Registration):	
National Camp School Shooting Sports Director	Expiration Date
NRA Certified Rifle Instructor	Expiration Date
NRA Certified Rifle Coach	Expiration Date
Shotgun Merit Badge (1 Required for Registration):	
National Camp School Shooting Sports Director	Expiration Date
NRA Certified Shotgun Instructor	Expiration Date
NRA Certified Shotgun Coach	Expiration Date