

## BSA Formally Launches Inventing Merit Badge

On June 17, 2010 in Cambridge, MA the Boy Scouts of America, in partnership with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology formally launched the Inventing Merit Badge.

This new, exciting merit badge is now available for all scouts to earn.

- Requirements are available at:

<http://www.scouting.org/sitecore/content/Home/BoyScouts/AdvancementandAwards/MeritBadges/m-b-inventing.aspx>

- The first printing of the merit badge pamphlet has been shipped to local council service centers. The NDC will be back in stock by the end of the month.
- The merit badge is set up in PAS as code 144.

As part of the development and pretesting of the Inventing merit badge, thirty-eight scouts from six Boston area councils completed the merit badge requirements and were awarded their badges. Additionally two patent-holding Distinguished Eagles with connections to MIT were presented commemorative merit badges for their past inventive activities and ongoing support of Scouting.

Look for more information to follow on recruiting individuals and institutions to support this exciting merit badge.