



Merit Badge Prerequisites

| Merit Badge | Rating | Prerequisites | Comments |
|------------------------------|--------|---------------|--|
| Archery | 4 | | 2 Hour class. Much practice time required. |
| Astronomy | 3/7 | 5b, 6, 9 | |
| Athletics | 4 | 3, 6 | |
| Backpacking | 4/5/7 | 6b, 10, 11 | Intended for Scouts in the Trek program, or partial avail. |
| Basketry | 1 | | Purchase kit at Canteen. |
| Camping | 3/5/6 | 3, 9 | |
| Canoeing + * | 3 | 2a,b | 2 Hour class. Much practice time required. |
| Climbing | 4/6 | | 2 Hour class. Much practice time required. |
| Cooking | 3/5/6 | 7 | Selected daily meals will be eaten with class. |
| Environmental Science | 3/4/6 | | Must allow for observation time. |
| First Aid + | 3 | 2b | |
| Fishing | 2 | | Practice time required. |
| Forestry | 3/5 | 5, 7 | |
| Hiking | 3/5 | 4, 5, 6, 7 | Otherwise, partials available. |
| Leatherwork | 1 | 5b, 5d | |
| Lifesaving + * | 4/7 | 1a, 13a, b | 2 Hour class. |
| Mammal Study | 1 | 4 | |
| Nature | 2/5 | | |
| Orienteering | 3/6 | | Much planning time required. |
| Personal Fitness | 3/5 | 1b, 6, 7, 8 | |
| Pioneering | 3/6 | | Much practice time required. |
| Reptile & Amphibian Study | 1/5 | 8 | |
| Rifle Shooting - .22 caliber | 4/6 | | 2 Hour class. Much practice time required. |
| Rifle Shtg. - muzzleloading | 4/7 | | 2 Hour class. Much practice time required. |
| Rowing + * | 2 | 2 | |
| Shotgun Shooting | 4/7 | | Much practice time required. |
| Small Boat Sailing + * | 4 | 1b, 4e | 2 Hour class. |
| Soil & Water Conservation | 2 | 7 | |
| Space Exploration | NEED | ANY PREREQ? | |
| Sports | 1/5 | 3, 4, 5 | |
| Swimming + * | 3/4 | 2a, b, 3 | Not for first year campers. Much practice time required. |
| Wilderness Survival | 1 | | Requires overnight outing on Thursday evening. |
| Wood Carving | 2 | 2a | Purchase wood items at Canteen. |

Notes:

- All requirement numbers refer to the 2010 Boy Scout Requirements Book, or newer B.S.A. press release if requirements have been changed. For full details on updated requirements, visit www.tenmileriver.org
- All prerequisites listed above must be completed **before** a Scout arrives at camp **if completion is expected by the end of the week. Otherwise, a partial will be issued.** Certification of successful completion of all prerequisites is necessary from the Unit Leader.

Merit Badge Difficulty Ratings

| Rating | Description |
|--------|--|
| 1 | Fairly easy |
| 2 | Average; can usually be completed in one week |
| 3 | Difficult; usually requiring hard work and time commitment |
| 4 | Difficult; usually requiring special skill, knowledge and experience |
| 5 | Impossible to complete in one week without prior work |
| 6 | Intended for intermediate Scouts only (2 nd year campers, and on) |
| 7 | Intended for experienced Scouts only (3 rd year campers, and on) |
| + | Requires CPR |
| * | Requires "swimmer" qualification on the Sunday swim test |