

2016 HHCSR Camp Leaders Guide

Merit Badges

Start planning early for merit badge signups! The Troop will sign-up Scouts for the merit badges they wish to take using **Tentaroo**. All merit badge information should be submitted by May 23, 2016. If changes to schedules are necessary, they may be done on Sunday night at camp. Have Scouts use the block schedule on page 16 to select merit badges for each session. Note that C.O.P.E., climbing, and canoeing require two sessions. Eagle Quest requires all sessions.

Key to the merit badge requirements listings on pages 23 and 24:

- Scout reads the merit badge book to be sure he is ready for the badge.
- Difficulty rating: a ten-point scale (1 being easiest: 10 being hardest) to help determine which merit badges are appropriate for each Scout.
- Prerequisites MUST be completed before the merit badge is earned. (Maybe before or after camp.)
- Fees are estimates of cost of material at trading post.

Pre-Camp preparation: suggested requirements to be done prior to arriving at camp. They are written requirements, extended time requirements, or not suitable to the camp setting. The merit badge counselors' focus will be on requirements that are most suited to the camp setting.



Merit Badge Table

Advancement and Program for
 Boy Scout Summer Camp 2016
 Merit Badges, Prerequisites and Pre-Camp Preparation



Camp will use the 2016 requirements for merit badges.

Program	Merit Badge	Difficulty Level	Prerequisite Requirements <i>Show completed at camp</i>	Pre-Camp Preparation	Cost of material
Aquatics	Canoeing	7	Pass BSA swimmer test		
	Life Saving	7	Complete all 2 nd and 1 st Class swimming requirements		
	Kayaking	7	Pass BSA swimmer test		
	Swimming	6	Pass BSA swimmer test		
	SUP (not a MB)	7	Pass BSA swimmer test		
	Snorkeling	7	Pass BSA swimmer test		
Climbing	Climbing	7		Review Climbing knots (7)	
C.O.P.E.		7	First Class 13 years old	Bring long pants	
Ecology			<i>A field notebook is necessary for Ecology merit badges</i>		
	Astronomy	6	5(b),6,& 9		
	Weather	6	11		
	Bird Study	6			
	Fly Fishing	7		Review Knots	
	Environmental Science	8	3e, 3f, 6		
	Fish & Wildlife Management	6	8		
	Fishing	5		Review fishing knots (4)	
	Mammal Study	4			
	Reptile/Amphibian Study	6	8		
	Soil & Water Conservation	7			
	Sustainability	7	1		



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Handicraft/ Indian Village	Basketry	2			
	Indian Lore	5			\$3 - \$12
	Leatherwork	3			\$8 - \$15
	Metalwork	8	4	Understand Option 1	\$10 - \$15
	Photography	5		Obtain camera	Film costs
	Movie Making	6	Obtain camera		
	Art	2			
	Pottery	3	7		\$5 fee
	Space Exploration	4	5-8		\$10 fee
	Welding	7		Bring appropriate welding attire as outlined in the Merit Badge pamphlet.	
Woodcarving	4	Totin' Chip		\$5 - \$10	
Outdoor Skills (Scoutcraft)	Backpacking	5	10, 11		
	Camping	5	Not Completed at camp		
	Orienteering	8	7, 8, 9, 10	Review orienteering skills	
	Pioneering	6	Complete Tenderfoot, 2 nd & 1 st Class rope requirements		
	Wilderness Survival	6	5		
	Geocaching	5	9	Review orienteering skills	
Personal Wellness	Emergency Preparedness	7	First Aid MB, 2(c) & 9(b)		
	Search & Rescue	5	10		
	First Aid	5	Complete Tenderfoot, 2 nd & 1 st Class first aid requirements & 2(d)	2b, prepare home first aid kit and bring to camp	
Shooting Sports	Archery	8			\$2.50 / lost arrow
	Rifle Shooting	7		1 (dfghi)	\$20 fee
	Shotgun Shooting	9		1 (dfghi)	\$35 fee
	Paintball (not a MB)	5	13 years old		\$25 fee
	Marksmanship (not a MB)	8	Rifle Merit Badge		\$20 fee