

Scout Name:	Rank:	Check if Planning to take in Summer Camp	Merit Badge Review			Comments	Troop 194 Counselors
			# of Requirements	Difficulty	Prerequisites		
ARCHERY			5	Medium	none	Skill and strength required! But fun to learn and do. Good summer camp badge.	
ASTRONOMY			10+	Medium	1st Class	Fairly involved and requires planning. Good camp or troop badge.	Mr. G. Myers
BACKPACKING			11+	Medium	Some First Aid	Not difficult, but time consuming. Good start possible at summer camp.	Mr. J. Reid; Mr. R. Sheneman;
BASKETRY			3	Easy	none	As easy as they get!	
BIRD STUDY			8	Medium	none	Lots to study, but not too involved.	Mr. R. Sheneman
BUGLING			6	Medium	none	Good one for brass players in band, but most can learn a bugle. 3 months of bugling required.	Mrs. M. Sheneman
CAMPING (E)			10+	Medium	1st Class	Most requirements are simple, but to get in all the campouts takes time. Keep track of all campouts and around 1st Class should have most done.	
CANOEING			10+	Medium	First Aid, 1st Class	First Aid will cover CPR and other first aid issues and 1st Class requires basic swimming skills. Otherwise, enjoy the ride!	Mr. J. Reid
CLIMBING			12+	Medium	1st Class or 14	Some knots and climbing required. Good one for summer camp or high adventure campout.	Mr. J. Reid; Mr. R. Sheneman
COOKING			8+	Medium	none	Need to do some planning and cooking, but fairly easy. This bumped up to medium because it doubled in regs in '02.	Mr. D. Assmann; Mr. R. Griswold
CYCLING (E Opt)			9+	Medium	none	Lots of bike rides required for this one. Plan to do it over a year or so.	Mr. R. Sheneman
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE (E)			8+	Hard	2nd Class	Eagle Required. Prepared by PC zealots ... for a good cause of course! Good one to start at Summer Camp, but does involve a bunch of activities.	Mr. R. Sheneman; Mr. M. Warminsky
FIRST AID (E)			7+	Hard	none	You must know Tenderfoot, 2nd and 1st Class first aid for this, but it's a good way to kill 4 birds with one stone (okay, wound 4 birds and then fix them up). Requires learning and demonstrating CPR. Good one to do before many other badges!	Mr. G. Myers
FISH AND WILDLIFE MGMT			8	Medium	none	Good Summer Camp badge.	
FISHING			9	Medium	none	Time to complete this is mostly dependent on how quickly you can catch two fish. Scout fishermen are exempt from "trustworthy" only in reporting the size of the fish that got away (simply because it's tradition!)	Mr. B. Bacigalupo; Mr. L. Ferrari
FLY FISHING {New in 2002}			10	Medium	none	Why are there 10 requirements here and only 9 for Fishing you ask? Good question. If you do both together that would make sense, but this does have some special skills needed!	
FORESTRY			7+	Hard	1st Class	This is a good Summer Camp badge. It requires several "collections"/identifications of plants, trees and shrubs.	
GEOLOGY			13+	Hard	none	If you are a rock hound ... this is for you. Otherwise, find a rock hound, it's one only they could appreciate. This is more involved than Geology 101 class in college ... however, you'll be ready for class!	
HIKING (E Opt)			7	Medium	1st Class First Aid	Eagle alternate badge (swimming or cycling). This is a good one to do over a longer period of time based on troop hikes/events.	Mr. J. Reid; Mr. R. Sheneman
INDIAN LORE			4	Easy	none	Could go well with history. This is a nice introductory level approach to the topic. Kudos to the authors.	
INSECT STUDY			11	Hard	none	If your school biology class still requires an insect collection, this will be a natural, otherwise the bug collection could be a show stopper. Has definite summer camp possibilities!	
LEATHERWORK			5	Easy	none	Good camp badge in terms of having the materials you need, but can be done at home too.	
LIFESAVING (E Opt)			15+	Medium	Swimming MB, CPR	Good camp badge for pool, etc. This is Eagle required, but optional if Emergency Preparedness has been earned. A good one to do regardless.	Mr. G. Myers
MAMMAL STUDY			5	Medium	none	Has many options, some more time-consuming than others.	
NATURE			4+	Medium	none	Good summer camp or merit badge trail activity.	
ORIENTEERING			10+	Medium	none	Might be better to be 2nd Class or above, but not essential. You'll know map reading and compass use well after earning this one! Still as a male you may only ask for directions as a last resort!	
PERSONAL FITNESS (E)			9+	Medium	none	Eagle required. This'll get you in shape!	Mr. J. Ingram

PIONEERING		9	Medium	none	Good scout weekend or summer camp badge. Helps to earn this one on your way to Emergency Preparedness. Plus it's fun!	Mr. L. Ferrari; Mr. R. Sheneman
REPTILE AND AMPHIBIAN		10+	Medium	none	Requires keep a reptile or amphibian for a month ... tell mom you have to for your badge. This does get a zealot award.	
RIFLE SHOOTING		2+	Medium	none	Good Summer Camp badge. Options include rifle shooting, air rifle or black-powder rifle shooting.	
ROWING		11+	Medium	CPR, Swim Test	Do this one after First Aid and 1st Class or swimming MB.	
SHOTGUN SHOOTING		12+	Hard	none	Might be good to do in conjunction with rifle shooting.	
SMALL-BOAT SAILING		9+	Medium	1st Class and CPR	Good summer camp or park district badge. Take after canoeing and/or rowing badges.	Mr. R. Rainey
SOIL AND WATER CONS.		7+	Medium	none	Good Summer Camp or merit badge trail project, but can do any time.	
SPORTS		9+	Medium	1st Class First Aid	Requires participation in 2 sports. Should be a simple one for boys already doing recreational or school sports.	Mr. J. Reid
SWIMMING (E Opt)		10+	Medium	CPR, 1st Class Swim Test	An eagle required badge (in option with cycling and hiking). I recommend this one, if physically able, even if you don't like to swim. It's an important life skill, even if just for safety.	Dr. J. Fox
WEATHER		10	Medium	none	While there are several requirements, the fall in the easy category. Does require a 5 minute talk.	Capt. J. Kidd
WHITEWATER		14	Hard	1st Class, CPR, Canoeing	This one is hard by virtue of the number of requirements and prerequisites. Even though it was designed by zealots, it is important, for safety reasons, to have so many requirements.	
WILDERNESS SURVIVAL		13	Medium	1st Class First Aid	Fun, useful, but fairly involved. A good summer camp badge, but can be done in conjunction with campouts.	Mr. J. Ingram
WOOD CARVING		7	Medium	none	Fun and only rated "medium" because two carvings are required ... watch your fingers!	
<b>E = 12 Eagle Required Merit Badges</b>						
<b>E Opt. = Eagle Required Merit Badge with an option (Emergency Preparedness or Lifesaving; Swimming, Hiking or Biking)</b>						