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**FLY-FISHING**  
*Merit Badge Workbook*

Cuts and Scratches:

Puncture Wounds:

Insect Bites:

Hypothermia:



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Dehydration:

Heat Exhaustion:

Heat Stroke:

Sun Burn:



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**REQUIREMENT 1B:** EXPLAIN HOW TO REMOVE A HOOK THAT HAS LODGED IN YOUR ARM.

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**REQUIREMENT 1C:** NAME AND EXPLAIN FIVE SAFETY PRACTICES YOU SHOULD ALWAYS FOLLOW WHILE FLY-FISHING.

Safety Practice #1:



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Safety Practice #2:

Safety Practice #3:

Safety Practice #4:

Safety Practice #5:



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**REQUIREMENT 2:** DEMONSTRATE HOW TO MATCH A FLY ROD, LINE, AND LEADER TO ACHIEVE A BALANCED SYSTEM.

Notes:

**REQUIREMENT 2:** DISCUSS SEVERAL TYPES OF FLY LINES, AND EXPLAIN HOW AND WHEN EACH WOULD BE USED.

Notes:



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<b>REQUIREMENT 2:</b>	REVIEW WITH YOUR COUNSELOR HOW TO CARE FOR THIS EQUIPMENT.
Notes:	
<b>REQUIREMENT 3:</b>	DEMONSTRATE HOW TO TIE PROPER KNOTS TO PREPARE A FLY ROD FOR FISHING: TIE A BACKING TO A FLY REEL SPOOL USING THE ARBOR KNOT
	This is a skill based requirement and does not require any workbook entry. You will need to be able to demonstrate this requirement to your counselor.
<b>REQUIREMENT 3:</b>	DEMONSTRATE HOW TO TIE PROPER KNOTS TO PREPARE A FLY ROD FOR FISHING: ATTACH BACKING TO FLY LINE USING THE NAIL KNOT
	This is a skill based requirement and does not require any workbook entry. You will need to be able to demonstrate this requirement to your counselor.
<b>REQUIREMENT 3:</b>	DEMONSTRATE HOW TO TIE PROPER KNOTS TO PREPARE A FLY ROD FOR FISHING: ATTACH A LEADER TO FLY LINE USING THE NEEDLE KNOT, NAIL KNOT, OR LOOP-TO-LOOP CONNECTION
	This is a skill based requirement and does not require any workbook entry. You will need to be able to demonstrate this requirement to your counselor.
<b>REQUIREMENT 3:</b>	DEMONSTRATE HOW TO TIE PROPER KNOTS TO PREPARE A FLY ROD FOR FISHING: ADD A TIPPET TO A LEADER USING A DOUBLE SURGEON'S LOOP OR BLOOD KNOT
	This is a skill based requirement and does not require any workbook entry. You will need to be able to demonstrate this requirement to your counselor.
<b>REQUIREMENT 3:</b>	DEMONSTRATE HOW TO TIE PROPER KNOTS TO PREPARE A FLY ROD FOR FISHING: TIE A FLY ONTO THE TERMINAL END OF THE LEADER USING THE IMPROVED CLINCH KNOT
	This is a skill based requirement and does not require any workbook entry. You will need to be able to demonstrate this requirement to your counselor.



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**REQUIREMENT 4:**

EXPLAIN HOW AND WHEN EACH OF THE FOLLOWING TYPES OF FLIES IS USED: DRY FLIES, WET FLIES, NYMPHS, STREAMERS, BASS BUGS, POPPERS, AND SALT WATER FLIES. TELL WHAT EACH ONE IMITATES.

Dry Flies:

How it is used:

When it is used:

Imitates:

Wet Flies:

How it is used:

When it is used:

Imitates:





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Nymphs:

How it is used:

When it is used:

Imitates:

Streamers:

How it is used:

When it is used:

Imitates:



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Bass Bugs:

How it is used:

When it is used:

Imitates:

Poppers:

How it is used:

When it is used:

Imitates:



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Salt Water Flies:

How it is used:

When it is used:

Imitates:

**REQUIREMENT 4: TIE AT LEAST TWO TYPES OF THE FLIES MENTIONED IN THIS REQUIREMENT.**

This is a skill based requirement and does not require any workbook entry.  
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**REQUIREMENT 5: DEMONSTRATE THE ABILITY TO CAST A FLY 30 FEET CONSISTENTLY AND ACCURATELY USING BOTH OVERHEAD AND ROLL CAST TECHNIQUES.**

This is a skill based requirement and does not require any workbook entry.  
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**REQUIREMENT 6: GO TO A SUITABLE FISHING LOCATION AND OBSERVE WHAT FISH MAY BE EATING BOTH ABOVE AND BENEATH THE WATER SURFACE.**

Fishing Location: \_\_\_\_\_

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**REQUIREMENT 6:**

EXPLAIN THE IMPORTANCE OF MATCHING THE HATCH.

Notes:

**REQUIREMENT 7A:**

EXPLAIN THE IMPORTANCE OF PRACTICING LEAVE NO TRACE TECHNIQUES.

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**REQUIREMENT 7A:** DISCUSS THE POSITIVE EFFECTS OF LEAVE NO TRACE ON FLY-FISHING RESOURCES.

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**REQUIREMENT 7B:** DISCUSS THE MEANING AND IMPORTANCE OF CATCH AND RELEASE.

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**REQUIREMENT 7B:** DESCRIBE HOW TO PROPERLY RELEASE A FISH SAFELY TO THE WATER.

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**REQUIREMENT 8:** OBTAIN AND REVIEW A COPY OF THE REGULATIONS AFFECTING GAME FISHING WHERE YOU LIVE OR WHERE YOU PLAN TO FISH. EXPLAIN WHY THEY WERE ADOPTED AND WHAT IS ACCOMPLISHED BY FOLLOWING THEM.

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**REQUIREMENT 9:** DISCUSS WHAT GOOD OUTDOOR SPORTSMANLIKE BEHAVIOR IS AND HOW IT RELATES TO ANGLERS.

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**REQUIREMENT 9:** TELL HOW THE OUTDOOR CODE OF THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA RELATES TO A FISHING ENTHUSIAST, INCLUDING THE ASPECTS OF LITTERING, TRESPASSING, COURTEOUS BEHAVIOR, AND OBEYING FISHING REGULATIONS.

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**REQUIREMENT 10:** CATCH AT LEAST ONE FISH AND IDENTIFY IT. IF LOCAL FISHING AND HEALTH REGULATIONS ALLOW, CLEAN AND COOK A FISH YOU HAVE CAUGHT. OTHERWISE, ACQUIRE A FISH AND COOK IT.

Type of Fish caught: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Fish was caught: \_\_\_\_\_

Where Fish was caught: \_\_\_\_\_

Notes: