

Whitewater Merit Badge



Expectations

Read and Review **ALL** requirements prior to the class
Even though a requirement may be identified as one to be done in class, Scouts are still expected to familiarize, review, and prepare for the requirement – BE PREPARED!

Active interaction/participation is expected and mandatory.

Share in your own words – avoid reading your answers.

Pay attention to the action verbs.

Bring proof of completion (even partially completed work)



Things to Remember to Bring

1. Your BSA ID# and /or your Merit Badge Blue Card properly filled out and signed off by your Scout Leader
2. Scout Uniform
3. Notes and Questions from reading the Whitewater Merit Badge Pamphlet
4. Proper and Appropriate Swimwear (You will be in the water, remember a towel)
5. Proof of having passed your BSA Swimmer Test within the last 12 months (failure to provide this proof to the satisfaction of the Merit Badge Counselor and/or Class Instructor will potentially negate your eligibility to participate in the class).
6. Permission Slip signed by parent or guardian when and if required, by the facility or location the whitewater activity is being held at (check with Scoutmaster Bucky if you are uncertain whether a permission slip is needed)
7. Supporting documentation or project work pertinent to this merit badge which may also include a Merit Badge Workbook for reference with notes.
8. A positive Scouting focus and attitude

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Requirements Insight

WARNING: Due to the high safety risk during this merit badge class, Scouts not following directions or failing to adhere to the class instructions WILL be removed from the class and forfeit participation fees and the privilege of continuing to participate for the rest of the event day. The instructor's / counselor's word is final. Parent / Guardian will be required to remove their Scout from the event venue immediately.

Requirements	Expectations
1 and 2	<p>If you have prepared ahead of time, you will be able to complete these requirements during the class.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Time will be allotted for those Scouts who have prepared to share their work for sign off consideration
3	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;">  <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>YOU MUST EARN OR HAVE EARNED EITHER THE CANOEING OR KAYAKING MERIT BADGE BEFORE PROCEEDING TO REQUIREMENTS 4 THRU 12.</p> <p>You must demonstrate the strokes and maneuvers for the boat you choose to use to complete the requirements to the satisfaction of the merit badge counselor</p> </div>  </div>
4, 9, 10, 11, and 12	<p>NOTE – These requirements and options are SKILL-BASED.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is NO guarantee that a Scout will complete any or all of the requirement and its components. Only Scouts who successfully demonstrate these skills to the counselor's satisfaction will be signed off. Some Scouts may find it difficult to complete some of these requirement components simply due to physical development or other reasons. Every effort will be made to assist and accommodate each Scout however it MUST be noted again that this is a skill-based requirement. All Scouts will have an opportunity to demonstrate their ability to perform and maneuver for each of the components in this requirement.
5, 6, 7, and 8	<p>If you have prepared ahead of time, you will be able to complete these requirements during the class.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Time will be allotted for those Scouts who have prepared to share their work for sign off consideration

Merit Badge Workbooks are a tool to aid Scouts with their work preparation. BSA discourages — but does not ban — the use of any merit badge worksheets or workbooks. Merit badge counselors must NEVER require the use of merit badge worksheets or workbooks and may if they choose, refuse to accept them. Scouts shall not be required to use ANY of these to complete a merit badge.

