





Merit Badge Pre-Requisites









2010 Merit Badge College

January 30, 2010

Only the requirements which are reasonable to complete in a 5-hour session at the Merit Badge College will be taught. Other requirements can either be completed ahead of time or the scout will receive a partial and can complete these requirements later. If the scout has completed requirements ahead of time, he should bring a signed note from his Scoutmaster stating which requirements have been completed or he should bring evidence that the requirement has been completed (i.e., photo, written report, etc.). Merit badge requirements not listed as a pre-requisite should be covered during the Merit Badge College. All scouts should obtain a Merit Badge Book for their assigned merit badge and should read it prior to the Merit Badge College.

The following chart details each merit badge offered at the January 2010 Merit Badge College and any pre-requisites related to that badge.

	Citizenship in the Community (Eagle Required)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 a AND b Attend a public meeting and write a brief description of one of the issues discussed where there was more than one opinion expressed. Explain why you agree more with one of the opinions. • 7 a AND b Research a charitable organization in your neighborhood (besides Scouting) that brings people together. Volunteer at least 8 hours of your time to the organization and be prepared to discuss your experience with the Merit Badge counselor.
	Citizenship in the Nation (Eagle Required)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 a, b, OR c Visit a National Historic Landmark, Tour a State Capital Building or the US Capital OR Tour a Federal Facility (such as a post office) Bring proof of visit such as photo of the Scout at the facility.
	First Aid (Eagle Required)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 d Prepare a first aid kit and bring it with you to the class.
	Communications (Eagle Required)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 Attend a public meeting and prepare a report noting date, place of meeting and discussing the various points of view expressed at the meeting. Bring report to the class. • 8 Prepare a program for your Troop's Court of Honor or prepare a Campfire Program. Serve as Master of Ceremonies.

	Camping (Eagle Required)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 e Scout will need to come dressed, with pack and prepared to present himself to the counselor for inspection with proper clothing and equipment. • 4 b, 7, 8 d and 9 will not be covered at the college. These requirements must be completed at actual campouts. Scouts may complete these prior to the college and bring a signed note from an adult leader of the Scout's troop stating these requirements have been completed in order to receive a complete sign-off on the day of the Merit Badge College.
	Cooking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No pre-requisites
	Pioneering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be at least 1st Class Rank • 5 Scouts should purchase the current Handbook and work on the splices with an adult leader of his troop.
	Aviation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No pre-requisites • Includes a field trip to the airport observation deck
 AND 	Crime Prevention AND Fingerprinting	<p><u>CRIME PREVENTION</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 a AND b Inspect your neighborhood for opportunities that may lead to crime. Using the checklist attached to this email, in the Merit Badge Book or online at http://usscouts.org/usscouts/mb/mb131.asp and conduct a security survey of your home and discuss it with your family. Have a parent sign a note that this requirement has been completed. • 7 a OR b Choose one and bring evidence of completion to the merit badge college. <p><u>FINGER PRINTING</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No pre-requisites
 AND 	Radio AND Electronics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scouts must obtain and thoroughly read both merit badge books prior to attending the Merit Badge College in order to obtain an understanding of the concepts that will be covered in class.