



FAMILY LIFE

Merit Badge Requirements

- 1) Prepare an outline and discuss with your merit badge counselor what a family is and how the actions of one member can affect other members.
- 2) List 10 reasons why you are important to your family. Review these points with your parents or guardians and with your merit badge counselor.
- 3) Prepare a list of your regular home duties or chores (at least five) and do them for 90 days. Keep a record of how often you do each of them.
- 4) With the approval of your parents/guardians and your merit badge counselor, decide on and carry out a project that you would do around the house that would benefit the family. Submit a report to your merit badge counselor outlining how the project benefited the family.
- 5) Plan and carry out a project that involves the participation of your family. After carrying out the project, discuss the following with your merit badge counselor:
 - A) The objective or goal of the project
 - B) How individual members of your family participated
 - C) The results of the project
- 6) Do the following:
 - A) Discuss with your merit badge counselor how to plan and carry out a family council.
 - B) After this discussion, plan and carry out a family council to include the following subjects:
 - 1) How to avoid the use of drugs and drug abuse
 - 2) Understanding the growing-up process, how the body changes, and making responsible decisions dealing with sex
 - 3) Personal and family finances

Requirement 1

What is a Family? _____

How can the actions of one member affect other members? _____

Requirement 2

10 Reasons I am important to my family are:

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____
- 4) _____
- 5) _____
- 6) _____
- 7) _____
- 8) _____
- 9) _____
- 10) _____

__ I have reviewed these with my parents.

__ I have reviewed these with my merit badge counselor.

Requirement 3

Prepare a list of your regular home duties or chores (at least five) and do them for 90 days. Keep a record of how often you do each of them.

Use the following sheet to help you with this requirement.

Requirement 4

With the approval of your parents/guardians and your merit badge counselor, decide on and carry out a project that you would do around the house that would benefit the family. Submit a report to your merit badge counselor outlining how the project benefited the family.

My project, around the house, that will benefit my family is: _____

How my project benefited the family: _____

Requirement 5

Plan and carry out a project that involves the participation of your family

My project that includes family participation is: _____

The objective/goal of the project is: _____

The number of family members that participated was: _____

The results of the project were: _____

Requirement 6

Scout Name: _____ Unit #: _____ Date: _____

Discuss with your merit badge counselor how to plan and carry out a family council.

Things I discussed with my counselor about how to plan and carry out a family council were: _____

During family council we discussed "How to avoid the use of drugs and drug abuse". Here are some of the ideas and thoughts: _____

** During family council, we discussed the growing-up process, how the body changes, and making responsible decisions dealing with sex.

During family council, we discussed our family finances. I learned: _____

*****This requirement may not be required by your merit badge counselor Contact your merit badge counselor for instruction on this topic***