# Surveying

Worksheet by the Merit Badge Center, Philippines

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## Requirement 1. Do one of the following:

## From an initial point, measure by tape a range line north 100 meters, and south 100 meters. Using the same initial point and procedure, establish a baseline east 100 meters, and west 100 meters. Locate the main features of the area by compass readings and pace measurements from one or more stations along the range or base lines.

Use page two for your surveying field notes.

Have your Merit Badge Counselor certify that you have completed this requirement.

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## Establish the corners of a lot describe as follows: from a point of beginning; thence running (1) north 16o 30’ east, 17.8 meters, thence (2) north 77o east, 20.5 meters; thence (3) south 49o 30’ east, 22.4 meters; thence (4) south 55o west, 30 meters; thence (5) north 60o west, 20 meters to the point of beginning. The error of closure must not exceed 1.5 meters. Locate the main features of the lot by compass readings and pace measurements from its corners.

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Use this page for your surveying field notes for Requirement 1.

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## Requirement 2. From the field notes gathered from Requirement Number 1, draw a map to convenient scale. Submit a nearly drawn copy of the map to your Counselor.

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## Requirement 3. Use the initial point or point of beginning as a benchmark with an assumed elevation of 30 meters to determine the elevation of four other poin ts.

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| **Points** | **Elevation** | **Other Information** |
| **Initial Point or**  **Point of Beginning** | 30 Meters |  |
| **Point # 1** |  |  |
| **Point # 2** |  |  |
| **Point # 3** |  |  |
| **Point # 4** |  |  |

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## Requirement 4. Without traversing a distance of approximately 100 to 1,000 meters, determine its length by proper surveying methods, then tape the distance. Your figure must be within 5% of the taped measurement.

Length determined using proper surveying methods: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Length determined using tape measurement: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Percentage Difference: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (must be within 5%)

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## Requirement 5. Determine the height of a point by accepted surveying methods that can be checked by raising or lowering a tape. Your figure must be within 5% of the taped measurement.

Height determined using proper surveying methods: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Height determined using tape measurement: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Percentage Difference: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (must be within 5%)

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## Requirement 6. Discuss with your Counselor the development and importance of surveying.

Write down notes of your discussion.

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