

2024 Edition



Expectations

Active interaction/participation is expected and mandatory.

Share in your own words – avoid reading your answers.

Pay attention to the action verbs.

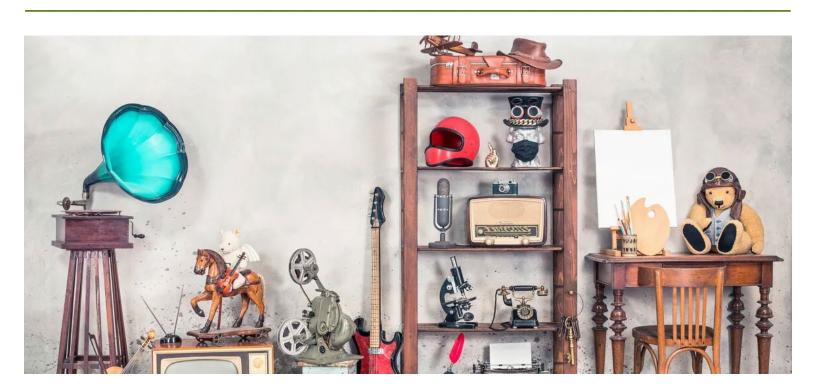
Bring proof of completion (even partially completed work)



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. Collections Merit Badge Pamphlet
- 3. Scout Uniform
- 4. If possible, bring your collection (or at least lots of photos of it).

 (Stamp and Coin Collecting are excluded from eligibility for this merit badge)
- 5. Supporting documentation or project work pertinent to this merit badge which may also include a Merit Badge Workbook for reference with notes.
- 6. A positive Scouting focus and attitude





Expectation(s)

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Collections Merit Badge

Requirements Insights

III	STAMP AND COIN COLLECTING ARE EXCLUDED FROM ELIGIBILITY FOR THIS MERIT BADGE.
1	You will be able to successfully complete this requirement during the class if you have prepared ahead of time. • Be prepared and do your short written report ahead of time,
2	The merit badge counselor / instructor will facilitate discussion on this requirement during the class.
3	This requirement will be completed during the class.
4	This requirement will be completed during the class; however, you need to do some preparation work ahead of time.
5	You will be able to successfully complete this requirement during the class if you have prepared ahead of time. • Review this requirement ahead of time to help formulate how you will respond for each component.
6	This requirement will be completed during the class.
7	You will be able to successfully complete this requirement during the class if you have prepared ahead of time. • Time will be allotted for those Scouts who have prepared for this requirement 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.







COLLECTIONS MERIT BADGE WORKBOOK REQUIREMENT 1: Prepare a short written report or outline for your counselor, giving a detailed description of your collection,* including a short history, why you enjoy your collection, and what you have learned from collecting. Be sure to include why you chose that particular type of collection/collecting method Notes:





REQUIREMENT 2:	Explain the growth and development of your collection.
Notes:	
REQUIREMENT 3a:	Explain the precautions you need to take to preserve your collection, including: 1. Handling 2. Cleaning 3. Storage.
Handling:	
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Cleaning:	
Storage:	





REQUIREMENT 3b:	Explain how best to display your collection, keeping in mind preserving as discussed above.
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REQUIREMENT 3d:	Explain to your counselor how you keep track of your collection. Describe your cataloging method.
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REQUIREMENT 4a:	Discuss with your counselor: How investing and speculation would apply to your collection.
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REQUIREMENT 4b:	Discuss with your counselor: What you would look for in purchasing other collections similar to yours.
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REQUIREMENT 4c:	Discuss with your counselor: What you would expect in return value if you decided to sell all or part of the collection.
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REQUIREMENT 5a:	Discuss with your counselor at least 10 terms commonly used to describe your collection and be prepared to discuss the definition of each.
Term 1 and Definition:	
Term 2 and Definition:	
Term 3 and Definition:	
Term 4 and Definition:	
Term 5 and Definition:	
Term 6 and Definition:	
Term 7 and Definition:	
Term 8 and Definition:	
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Term 10 and Definition:	





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Show your counselor any two groups from your collection. Explain how you organized your collection and why you chose that method. (Note: If your collection is too large to transport and your counselor is unable to view your collection directly, photographs should be available to share.)

	This requirement must be reviewed with your merit badge counselor.
Be sure to bri	ing any work you have done in preparation to share with your merit badge counselor.
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REQUIREMENT 5c:	Explain the monetary value of your collection and where you learned about those values.
Notes:	





REQUIREMENT 5d:	Explain how your collection is graded for value, physical defects, size, and age. Show the various classifications or ratings used in your collection.
Notes:	
REQUIREMENT 5e:	List the national, state, or local association(s) related to or associated with your collection.
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REQUIREMENT 5f:	Explain to your counselor the purpose of and reason for the identification number (if applicable), series, brand name (if any), and any other special identification marks.
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REQUIREMENT 6:	Discuss with your counselor the plans you have to continue with the collection in the future.
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REQUIREMENT 7:	Find out about career opportunities in collecting.
Career Opportunity #1:	
Career Opportunity #2:	
Career Opportunity #3:	
REQUIREMENT 7:	Pick one and find out the education, training, and experience required for this profession. Discuss this with your counselor.
Selected Career Opporto	unity:
Educational Requiremen	nts:
Training Requirements:	
Experience Requiremen	ts:
REQUIREMENT 7:	Explain why this profession might interest you.
Notes:	