



2024 Class Preparation Page - for ONLINE and IN-PERSON classes

Environmental Science 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 Environmental Science Merit Badge Pamphlet
- 4. Supporting documentation or project work pertinent to this merit badge which may also include a Merit Badge Workbook for reference with notes.
- 5. A positive Scouting focus and attitude

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Requirements Insight

NOTE: This merit badge requires a lot of explanation and discussion in order to complete most requirements. This class is structured to offer explanation and discussion time for Scouts in a small group setting to offer both learning and earning opportunity. Scouts MUST come to the class with preparation work in order to successfully complete these requirements. It will be virtually impossible for Scouts who do not have preparation work done to successfully partake in the group discussions or provide acceptable explanation if they do not have prior knowledge of the requirements and answers prior to the class.

Requirements	Expectations
1, 2, 5, and 6	If you have prepared ahead of time, you will be able to successfully complete these requirements during the class. • Time will be allotted for those Scouts who have prepared to share their work for sign off consideration
3	The following items for Requirement 3 are planned to be worked on during the class. If you have prepared ahead of time, you will be able to successfully complete this requirement during the class. Of course you can choose any option within each component. 3A3 – have your notes ready for discussion 3B3 – have your notes ready for discussion 3C3 – have your notes ready for discussion 3D – your choice to prepare ahead of time (class time will be only for review) 3E – your choice to prepare ahead of time (class time will be only for review) 3F – your choice to prepare ahead of time; 3F1 is recommended (class time will be only for review) 3G – your choice to prepare ahead of time (class time will be only for review) 3H – your choice to prepare ahead of time; 3H2 is recommended (class time will be only for review)
4	 This requirement will NOT be covered in the class. HOWEVER, time will be allotted for sign off consideration for any Scouts attending the class with this requirement ready for review. Choose either 4a or 4b Bring your work to class for discussion and sharing. You will not be able to complete this requirement without proof of work. Scouts not completing this requirement prior to the class will be provided with a merit badge counselor contact for follow up after the class.

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.