

Camping is one of the best-known methods of the Scouting movement. When Robert Baden-Powell founded the Scouting movement in the early 1900s, he encouraged every Scout to learn the art of living out-of-doors. He believed a young person able to take care of himself while camping would have the confidence to meet life's other challenges, too. It was just as true then as it is now.

Bring a signed merit badge card and the Camping Merit Badge pamphlet that you have read. We should be able to complete the following requirements. Filling some requirements on the Camping workbook prior to the course will help complete requirements that can't be completed at camp. The workbook is available at: <http://usscouts.org/mb/worksheets/Camping.pdf>

Requirement 1 – Be prepared to discuss and demonstrate/show your first aid skills.

Requirement 2 – We will cover principles of Leave No Trace

Requirement 3 – Make a written plan for an overnight trek and show how to get to your camping spot using a topographical map and compass OR a topographical map and a GPS receiver.

Requirement 4a – Make a duty roster showing how your patrol is organized for actual overnight campout. List assignments for each member. This should be prepared before the course.

Requirement 4b – Help a Scout patrol or a Webelos Scout unit in your area prepare for an actual campout. Including creating a duty roster, menu planning, equipment needs, general planning and setting up camp. This should be completed as preparation for this weekend.

Requirements 5a to 5d – Prepare a list of clothing you would need for an overnight campout in both warm and cold weather. Explain the term layering. Be prepared to discuss footwear, care of gear, and outdoor essentials.

Requirement 5e – Present yourself and your pack, or bring a scoutmaster signed note that you have done this.

Requirements 6a-6e – Be prepared/knowledgeable to discuss.

Requirement 7a – Have a checklist prepared. This should be completed as preparation for this weekend.

Requirement 7b – Have your pack and gear that you will need to properly demonstrate.

Requirements 8a-8b – Be prepared to discuss

Requirement 8c – Have a camp menu prepared and be prepared to discuss.

Requirement 8d – May be covered, please be prepared. Could be done by your patrol as part of this weekend.

Requirement 9a – Bring your camping log signed by your Scoutmaster.

Requirement 9b – If time permits, we will go on a 4-mile backpack hike, or bring a Scoutmaster signed list.

Requirement 9c – If you have not done a conservation project, we may be able to do one at camp.

Requirement 10 – Please be prepared to discuss.

The course is limited to 8 participants.