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Weather
Requirements Sheet
Merit Badge Powwow 2009

The scout is to read the Weather Merit Badge pamphlet before the Powwow (2006 edition or later). Some requirements may take up to 90 days to complete before coming to the Powwow. Read all the requirements below and bring necessary items to guarantee passing off the merit badge on the day of the Powwow. Bring to class paper, pen or pencil, and any other items asked for. Write your name, merit badge and class time (9:00 or 1:00) on **every** paper or project. (If there are any questions pertaining to requirements, the most recent Boy Scout Requirements handbook will always be used).

Recommended Requirments to complete before Powwow

8. Do ONE of the following and bring materials need to show your findings to your counselor at the Powwow:
 - a. Make one of the following instruments: wind vane, anemometer, rain gauge, and hygrometer. Keep a daily weather log for one week using information from this instrument as well as from other sources such as local radio and television stations, NOAA Weather Radio, and Internet sources (with your parent's permission). Record the following information at the same time every day: wind direction and speed, temperature, precipitation, and types of clouds. Be sure to make a note of any morning dew or frost. In the log, also list the weather forecasts from radio or television at the same time each day and show how the weather really turned out.
 - b. Visit a National Weather Service office or talk with a local radio or television weathercaster, private meteorologist, local agricultural extension service officer, or university meteorology instructor. Find out what type of weather is most dangerous or damaging to your community. Determine how severe weather and flood warnings reach the homes in your community.
9. Come prepared with materials necessary to complete this requirement at the Powwow.
10. Find out about a weather-related career opportunity that interests you. Discuss with and explain to your counselor what training and education are required for such a position, and the responsibilities required of such a position.

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Requirments that will be passed off at the Powwow

1. Define meteorology. Explain what weather is and what climate is. Discuss how the weather affects farmers, sailors, aviators, and the outdoor construction industry. Tell why weather forecasts are important to each of these groups.

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- 2. Name five dangerous weather-related conditions. Give the safety rules for each when outdoors and explain the difference between a severe weather watch and a warning. Discuss the safety rules with your family.
- 3. Explain the difference between high and low pressure systems in the atmosphere. Tell which is related to good and to poor weather. Draw cross sections of a cold front and a warm front, showing the location and movements of the cold and warm air, the frontal slope, the location and types of clouds associated with each type of front, and the location of precipitation.
- 4. Tell what causes wind, why it rains, and how lightning and hail are formed.
- 5. Identify and describe clouds in the low, middle, and upper levels of the atmosphere. Relate these to specific types of weather.
- 6. Draw a diagram of the water cycle and label its major processes. Explain the water cycle to your counselor.
- 7. Define acid rain. Identify which human activities pollute the atmosphere and the effects such pollution can have on people.
- 9. Do ONE of the following:
 - a. Give a talk of at least five minutes to a group (such as your unit or a Cub Scout pack) explaining the outdoor safety rules in the event of lightning, flash floods, and tornadoes. Before your talk, share your outline with your counselor for approval.
 - b. Read several articles about acid rain and give a prepared talk of at least five minutes to a group (such as your unit or a Cub Scout pack) about the articles. Before your talk, share your outline with your counselor for approval.

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