Tracking
Merit Badge Workbook

This workbook can help you but you still need to read the merit badge pamphlet and additional new information for this merit badge.

No one can add or subtract from the Boy Scout Requirements #33216. Each Scout must do each requirement.

Merit Badge Workbooks and more: Online Resources.

Send comments to the workbook developer: craig@craiglincoln.com. Requirements issued: 04/1/10, Workbook updated: 04/10.

Scout’s Name: ____________________________________________  Unit: ______________________
Counselor’s Name: _________________________________________  Counselor’s Ph #: ____________________________

1. Demonstrate by means of a tracking game or otherwise, ability to track skillfully in shelter and wind, etc., showing how to proceed noiselessly and “freeze” when occasion demands.

2. Know and recognize the tracks of ten different kinds of animals or birds in his vicinity, three of which may be domestic.

3. Submit satisfactory evidence that he has trailed two different kinds of wild animals or birds on ordinary ground far enough to determine the direction in which they were going, and their gait or speed. Give the names of animals or birds trailed, their direction of travel, and describe gait and speed; or submit satisfactory evidence that he has trailed six different kinds of wild animal or birds in snow, sand, dust, or mud, far enough to determine the direction they were going and their gait or speed. Give names of animals or birds, their direction of travel, and describe gait and speed.
4. Submit satisfactory evidence that he has tracked a human being and deducted from the trail whether it was man or woman, young or old, the gait or speed, and also give any other information deduced. __________________________________________________________

5. Submit evidence that he has scored at least 30 points from the following groups:

   Group (f) and 4 of the 5 groups (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) must be represented in the score of 30 and at least 7 points must be scored from (a), (b), or (c). Make clear recognizable photographs of

   a. Live bird away from nest 4 points each __________________________________________________________

   b. Live woodchuck or smaller wild animal 3 points each ________________________________________________

   c. Live wild animal larger than woodchuck 4 points each ________________________________________________

   d. Live bird on nest 3 points each _____________ __________________________________________________________

   e. Tracks of live wild animal or bird 2 points each ______________________________________________________

   f. Make satisfactory plaster cast of wild animal or bird tracks with identification imprint on back of each 2 points each _______

Online Resources: (Use any Internet resource with caution and only with your parent’s or guardian’s permission.)

► Scout ► Tenderfoot ► Second Class ► First Class ◄ Rank Videos ◄ Safety Afloat

Boy Scout Merit Badge Workbooks: usscouts.org -or- meritbadge.org Merit Badge Books: www.scoutstuff.org

Requirement Resources

BSA Merit Badge Resources

- Tracking Page
- Tracking Resource Packet
- Original Stalking Merit Badge Book

General Resources