

# Webelos Badge

# Webelos Workbook



The work space provided for each requirement should be used by the Webelos Scout to make notes for discussing the item with Akela, not for providing the full and complete answers. Each Webelos Scout must do each requirement.

No one may add or subtract from the official requirements found in the Webelos Handbook (Pub. 33452)

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Webelos Scout's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Pack No. :\_\_\_\_\_

### Do these:

- 1. Have an adult member of your family read the Webelos Scout Parent Guide that comes with this *(The Webelos Handbook)* book (pages 1-22) and sign here.
- 2. Be an active member of your Webelos den for 3 months (*Active* means having good attendance, paying your den dues, working on den projects).
- 3. Know and explain the meaning of the Webelos badge.

- 4. Point out the three special parts of the Webelos Scout uniform.
  - 1.

     2.

     3.

Tell when to wear the uniform and when not to wear it.

5. Earn the Fitness and Citizen activity badges and one other activity badge from a different activity group .

Fitness activity badge

- Citizen activity badge
- One other activity badge:\_\_\_\_\_

6. Plan and lead a flag ceremony in your den that includes the U.S. flag.

7. Show that you know and understand the requirements to be a Boy Scout.

a. Demonstrate the Scout salute, Scout sign, and Scout handshake.

- Scout salute
- Scout sign
- Scout handshake

Explain when you would use them.

b. Explain the Scout Oath, Scout Law, Scout motto, and Scout slogan

Scout Oath



Name one faith practice that you will continue to do in the future.

c. **Practice**: After doing these requirements, tell what you have learned about your beliefs.

#### And do one of these (d OR e):

- d. Earn the religious emblem of your faith\*
- e. Do two of these:
  - Attend the mosque, church, synagogue, temple, or other religious organization of your choice, talk with your religious leader about your beliefs. Tell your family and your Webelos den leader what you learned.

 Discuss with your family and Webelos den leader how your religious beliefs fit in with the Scout Oath and Scout Law, and what character-building traits your religious beliefs have in common with the Scout Oath and Scout Law.

• With your religious leader, discuss and make a plan to do two things you think will help you draw nearer to God.

	Do these things for a month.			
	□ 2.			
•	<ul> <li>For at least a month, pray or meditate reverently each day as taught by your family, and by your church, temple, mosque, synagogue, or religious group.</li> <li>Under the direction of your religious leader, do an act of service for someone else. Talk about your service with your family and Webelos den leader. Tell them how it made you feel.</li> </ul>			
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List at least two ways you believe you have lived according to your religious beliefs.				
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\* If you earned your faith's religious emblem earlier in Cub Scouting, and your faith does not have a Webelos religious emblem, you must complete requirement 8e.

Completion of requirement 8e does not qualify a youth to receive the religious emblem of his faith.



## Important excerpts from the *Guide To Advancement - 2013*, No. 33088 (SKU-618673)

#### [1.0.0.0] — Introduction

The current edition of the *Guide to Advancement* is the official source for administering advancement in all Boy Scouts of America programs: Cub Scouting, Boy Scouting, Varsity Scouting, Venturing, and Sea Scouts. It replaces any previous BSA advancement manuals, including *Advancement Committee Policies and Procedures*, *Advancement and Recognition Policies and Procedures*, and previous editions of the *Guide to Advancement*.

#### [Page 2, and 5.0.1.4] — Policy on Unauthorized Changes to Advancement Program

No council, committee, district, unit, or individual has the authority to add to, or subtract from, advancement requirements. There are limited exceptions relating only to youth members with special needs. For details see section 10, "Advancement for Members With Special Needs".

#### [Page 2] — The "Guide to Safe Scouting" Applies

Policies and procedures outlined in the *Guide to Safe Scouting*, No. 34416, apply to all BSA activities, including those related to advancement and Eagle Scout service projects.

#### [4.1.0.3] — Who Approves Cub Scout Advancement?

A key responsibility for den leaders is to implement the core den meeting plans as outlined in the Den & Pack Meeting Resource Guide, No. 34409. For the Bobcat trail and Tiger Cub achievements, parents (or adult partners) should sign in the boy's handbook; the den leader then approves as progress is recorded in the den's advancement record. For Wolf, Bear, and Webelos advancement, den leaders take the lead in approving requirements, though their assistants, and also parents who help at meetings, may be asked to play the role of "Akela" and assist. Parents sign for requirements that, according to meeting plans and instructions in the handbooks, take place at home.

#### [4.1.0.4] — "Do Your Best"

Cub Scouts—even those of the same age—may have very different developmental timetables. For this reason, advancement performance in Cub Scouting is centered on its motto: "Do Your Best." When a boy has done this—his very best—then regardless of the requirements for any rank or award, it is enough; accomplishment is noted. This is why den leaders, assistants, and parents or guardians are involved in approvals. Generally they know if effort put forth is really the Cub Scout's best.

In the same spirit as "Do Your Best," if a boy is close to earning a badge of rank when the school year ends, the pack committee, in consultation with the den leader and the Cub Scout's parent or guardian, may allow him a few weeks to complete the badge before going on to the next rank. Earning it will give him added incentive to continue in Scouting and carry on and tackle the next rank.

#### [4.1.2.2] — Cub Scout Academics and Sports Program

More than just a recognition opportunity, this program develops new skills, improves those existing, and otherwise enriches Cub Scouting. Details can be found in the Cub Scout Academics and Sports Program Guide, No. 34299. Activities include subjects like science, video games, collecting, and chess; and sports such as baseball, skateboarding, and table tennis. Each has two levels—a belt loop and a pin. Belt loops are awarded when each of three requirements is met. Cub Scouts may then continue with additional requirements and earn the pin. Belt loops and pins may be earned more than one time. Archery and BB gun shooting are included, but can only be conducted at a council-presented activity with certified supervisors.

#### 4.1.2.3 More on Webelos Activity Badges

Activity badges help Webelos Scouts develop interests in areas that may lead to hobbies or career choices. The projects involved help accomplish the purposes of Cub Scouting while providing the foundation for exciting and worthwhile den meetings. Some badges may occupy a den for a few weeks; others may take longer. Families are encouraged to work at home with their boys on projects begun at den meetings, but the Webelos den leader approves completed work.

The Webelos den leader and assistant(s), and the den chief, may handle portions of instruction during meetings. But the badges will have more meaning when a knowledgeable activity badge counselor teaches most of the requirements, provides resources, leads field trips, and gives other useful service. A parent or family member, pack leader, teacher, coach, or other adult with talents or skills related to the specific badges may serve in this capacity. A local Scoutmaster or the district advancement chair can help identify merit badge counselors who might also work with related activity badges.

Note that except for the references to merit badge counselors, the policies and procedures for activity badges offered through non-Scouting organizations or businesses, and those regarding charging fees for activity badge opportunities, are the same as those described in section 7, "The Merit Badge Program," topics 7.0.4.9 and 7.0.4.10.

# Additional notes of interest:

- Webelos Scouts may complete requirements in a family, den, pack, school, or community environment.
- "Akela" (Pronounced "Ah-KAY-la") Akela is a title of respect used in Cub Scouting—any good leader is Akela, who is
  also the leader and guide for Cub Scouts on the advancement trail. (See "Law of the Pack.")

٠	"Law of the Pack" —	The Cub Scout follows Akela.
		The Cub Scout helps the pack go.
		The pack helps the Cub Scout grow.
		The Cub Scout gives goodwill.