



Athletics

Merit Badge Workbook

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Scout's Name: _____ Unit: _____

Counselor's Name: _____ Counselor's Ph #: _____

1. *Show* that you know first aid for injuries or illnesses that could occur while participating in athletic events, including sprains, _____

strains, _____

contusions, _____

abrasions, _____

blisters, _____

dehydration, _____

and heat reactions. _____

2. Explain the following:

a. The importance of the physical exam _____

b. The importance of maintaining good health habits, especially during training. _____

c. The importance of maintaining a healthy diet. _____

b. Discuss the importance of warming up _____

and cooling down. _____

c. Explain to your counselor what an amateur athlete is _____

and the differences between an amateur and a professional athlete. _____

d. Discuss the traits and importance of good sportsmanship. _____

Tell what role sportsmanship plays in both individual and group athletic activities. _____

5. Complete the activities in FOUR of the following groups and show improvement over a three-month period.

Activities	Beginning	Three Months Later
<input type="checkbox"/> Group 1: Sprinting		
a. 100-meter dash		
b. 200-meter dash		
<input type="checkbox"/> Group 2: Long-Distance Running		
a. 3k run		
b. 5k run		
<input type="checkbox"/> Group 3: Long Jump OR High Jump		
a. Running long jump OR running high jump (best of three tries)		
b. Standing long jump OR standing high jump (best of three tries)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Group 4: Swimming		
a. 100-meter swim		
b. 200-meter swim		
<input type="checkbox"/> Group 5: Pull-Ups AND Push-Ups		
a. Pull-ups in two minutes		
b. Push-ups in two minutes		
<input type="checkbox"/> Group 6: Baseball Throw		
a. Baseball throw for accuracy, 10 throws		
b. Baseball throw for distance, five throws (total distance)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Group 7: Basketball Shooting		
a. Basketball shot for accuracy, 10 free-throw shots		
b. Basketball throw for skill and agility, the following shots as shown on the diagram		
1. Left-side layup		
2. Right-side layup		
3. Left side of hoop, along the key line		
4. Right side of hoop, along the key line		
5. Where key line and free-throw line meet, left side		
6. Where key line and free-throw line meet, right side		
7. Top of the key		
8. Anywhere along the three-point line.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Group 8: Football Kick OR Soccer Kick		
a. Goals from the 10-yard line, eight kicks		
b. Football kick or soccer kick for distance, five kicks (total distance)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Group 9: Weight Training		
a. Chest/bench press, two sets of 15 repetitions each		
b. Leg curls, two sets of 15 repetitions each		

