

## Camp Hinds Merit Badge Opportunities & Pre-requisites

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| <b>Archery</b><br>           | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Year Campers and above                      | <b>Preparation:</b><br>Must be able to handle a bow   | <b>Other Information:</b><br>Meets for a double period  |
| <b>Art</b><br>               | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Year Campers and above                      | <b>Preparation:</b>   | <b>Other Information:</b><br>A good merit badge for those with some artistic talent.                    |
| <b>Astronomy</b><br>         | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Year Campers and above                      | <b>Preparation:</b>   | <b>Other Information:</b><br>Will require some night time meetings(weather dependent) to view stars.    |
| <b>Aviation</b><br>         | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Year Campers and above                      | <b>Preparation:</b><br>Optional requirement- bring a note from parents if you have flown before.                        | <b>Other Information:</b><br>Offered during afternoons as an Older Boy Activity                         |
| <b>Basketry</b><br>        | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>All campers   | <b>Preparation:</b>   | <b>Other Information:</b><br>Good choice for first year campers. Materials for basic projects included. |
| <b>Camping/Cooking</b><br> | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>All Campers   | <b>Preparation:</b><br>Scouts will need to do additional work planning and cooking meals on campouts with their troops. | <b>Other Information:</b><br>Great for a first year Scouts.   |
| <b>Canoeing</b><br>        | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Year Campers                                | <b>Preparation:</b><br>Must be a swimmer. Bring shoes or sandals that can get wet for swamping.                         | <b>Other Information:</b>   |
| <b>Climbing</b><br>        | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Year Campers and above. Must be at least 13 | <b>Preparation:</b><br>Need to bring long sleeve shirt and long pants   | <b>Other Information:</b><br>The merit badge includes climbing on the tower and natural rock faces.     |









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| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Composite Materials</b></p>     | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Recommended For:</b><br/>3<sup>rd</sup> Year Campers and above</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Preparation:</b></p>   | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Other Information:</b><br/>This is the BSA's newest Merit Badge</p>                                |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Computers</b></p>               | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Recommended For:</b><br/>3<sup>rd</sup> Year Campers and above</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Preparation:</b></p>   | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Other Information:</b><br/>Helpful to have some Computer Experience</p>                            |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Emergency Preparedness</b></p>  | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Recommended For:</b><br/>2<sup>nd</sup> Year Campers and Above</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Preparation:</b></p>   | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Other Information:</b><br/>Meets Requirement for Eagle otherwise met by Lifesaving Merit Badge</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Environmental Science</b></p>  | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Recommended For:</b><br/>3<sup>rd</sup> Year Campers and above</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Preparation:</b><br/>Helpful to have other Merit Badges, but not required</p>  | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Other Information:</b><br/>Extensive Merit Badge. Meets for a double period.</p>                   |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Fingerprinting</b></p>        | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Recommended For:</b><br/>All Campers</p>                           | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Preparation:</b></p>   | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Other Information:</b><br/>Meets Monday Night. Great badge for first year Scouts.</p>              |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>First Aid</b></p>             | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Recommended For:</b><br/>2<sup>nd</sup> Year Campers and above</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Preparation:</b><br/>Must have First Aid skills up through and including First Class. Complete Req. 2B (First Aid Kit) at home and bring to camp</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Other Information:</b></p>   |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Fish and Wildlife</b></p>     | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Recommended For:</b><br/>2<sup>nd</sup> Year Campers and Above</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Preparation:</b></p>   | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Other Information:</b></p>   |
| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Fishing</b></p>               | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Recommended For:</b><br/>All Campers</p>                           | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Preparation:</b><br/>Req. 9 Must catch two first, release one, and then clean and cook the other one.</p>  | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Other Information:</b><br/>Offered Monday Nights</p>   |






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| <b>Forestry</b><br>                    | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>For Second Year Campers and above      | <b>Preparation:</b>  | <b>Other Information:</b>  |
| <b>Geology</b><br>                     | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>All Campers                            | <b>Preparation:</b>  | <b>Other Information:</b><br>Offered Tuesday through Thursday Night in the Nature Area.                |
| <b>Graphic Arts</b><br>                | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Year Campers and Above | <b>Preparation:</b>  | <b>Other Information:</b><br>Offered in the Afternoon as an Older Boy Activity                         |
| <b>Indian Lore</b><br>                 | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>All Campers                            | <b>Preparation:</b>  | <b>Other Information:</b><br>Learn about the crafts and culture of people who first lived in Maine     |
| <b>Leatherwork</b><br>                | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>All Campers                            | <b>Preparation:</b>  | <b>Other Information:</b><br>Good choice for first year campers. Materials for basic projects included |
| <b>Lifesaving</b><br>                | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Year Campers and above | <b>Preparation:</b><br>Must be a swimmer and have Swimming MB. May require extra time and/or help. | <b>Other Information:</b>  |
| <b>Mammal Study</b><br>              | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>All Campers                            | <b>Preparation:</b>  | <b>Other Information:</b><br>Good choice for 1 <sup>st</sup> Year Scouts                               |
| <b>Model Design and Building</b><br> | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Year Campers and Above | <b>Preparation:</b>  | <b>Other Information:</b><br>Materials for basic projects included.                                    |
| <b>Motorboating</b><br>              | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Year Campers and Above | <b>Preparation:</b><br>Must be 13 or above and already have Swimming MB and Canoeing or Rowing MB  | <b>Other Information:</b><br>Class Size Limited  |

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| <b>Nature</b><br>       | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>All Campers  | <b>Preparation:</b>  | <b>Other Information:</b><br>Good for First Year Scouts  |
| <b>Orienteering</b><br> | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Year Campers and above                 | <b>Preparation:</b><br>Should have completed orienteering requirements up through First Class      | <b>Other Information:</b>  |
| <b>Photography</b><br>  | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Year Campers and above                 | <b>Preparation:</b>  | <b>Other Information:</b><br>Camp will supply a camera- Bring your own digital camera if you have one.   |
| <b>Pioneering</b><br>   | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>For 2 <sup>nd</sup> Year Campers and above             | <b>Preparation:</b><br>Should have completed knots and lashing requirements up through First Class | <b>Other Information:</b>  |
| <b>Radio</b><br>      | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Year Campers and above                 | <b>Preparation:</b>  | <b>Other Information:</b><br>Offered afternoons as an Older Boy Program. Great for those with a strong interest in the field of radio and communications |
| <b>Rifle</b><br>      | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Year Campers and above                 | <b>Preparation:</b>  | <b>Other Information:</b><br>Meets for a double period. Class size limited.  |
| <b>Rowing</b><br>     | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>All Campers- Small framed Scouts may have a hard time! | <b>Preparation:</b><br>Must be a swimmer   | <b>Other Information:</b><br>Could be difficult for small frame Scouts. Needs shoes or sandals that can get wet for swamping                             |
| <b>Shotgun</b><br>    | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Year Campers and above                 | <b>Preparation:</b><br>Must be at least 13 years old or have Rifle Merit Badge                     | <b>Other Information:</b>  |

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| <b>Small Boat Sailing</b><br>   | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Year Campers and above                                   | <b>Preparation:</b><br>Must be a swimmer and have earned Canoeing MB or Rowing MB   | <b>Other Information:</b><br>Class size limited  |
| <b>Swimming</b><br>             | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>All Campers  | <b>Preparation:</b><br>Must be able to pass swimmers test prior to class at Camp Hinds. Must have long sleeve button up shirt, long pants and shoes that can get wet. | <b>Other Information:</b>  |
| <b>Water Skiing</b><br>         | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Year Campers and above and must be at least 13 years old | <b>Preparation:</b><br>Must have already had Swimming MB and/or Rowing and Canoeing MB. Helpful to have some previous water skiing and motor boating experience.      | <b>Other Information:</b><br>Class size limited  |
| <b>Wilderness Survival</b><br> | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>All Campers  | <b>Preparation:</b><br>Should have completed the camping requirements up through First Class. Bring supplies for Req 5 (small survival kit)                           | <b>Other Information:</b><br>Must sleep out in shelter on overnight on Wednesday to complete badge at camp |
| <b>Woodcarving</b><br>        | <b>Recommended For:</b><br>All Campers  | <b>Preparation:</b><br>Helpful to bring own jackknife for carving projects.   | <b>Other Information:</b><br>May be hard for some first year Scouts.                                       |

### Helpful Merit Badge Hints!

Scoutmasters need to meet with their Scouts and determine which merit badges and advancement opportunities best suit their needs based on their age and interests. Please make sure your Scouts meet the age and pre-requisite requirements as outlined in this Leader's Guide.

### ATTENDANCE AT MERIT BADGE CLASSES:

Every Scout should be strongly encouraged to attend every one of their Merit Badge classes. Experience shows us that the Scoutmasters that visit the program areas on a regular basis and encourage their Scouts in their classes have the best record for completion on Merit Badges.

### EXTRA HELP FOR MERIT BADGE WORK:

All Scouts can receive extra help for Merit Badges during the scheduled open areas at 7 PM Tuesday through Thursday evenings. Our staff will try to inform Scoutmasters in any of their Scouts are having trouble completing the required work. Scoutmasters should check their Scouts to make sure camp work is being completed.

### BLUE CARDS:

Camp Hinds uses a camp facsimile of the blue cards to record all work done in camp. Leaders will be able to pick up copies of the Camp Hinds Merit Badge Sheets for their youth Friday afternoon. *If you have missing paperwork, please contact the camp office to receive a new copy. Please try to contact us before August 15<sup>th</sup>.*