



Supplemental Wolf Den Meeting M

Family Alert

Elective 16.

Preparation and Materials Needed

- ▶ Identify any parents or other pack resources who have an interest in emergency preparedness.
- ▶ Materials checklist (add to your den Cub tub of U.S./den flags, paper/pencils, other supplies):
 - Water and water purification tablets or a purification filter
 - Paper and pencil for each boy to make a list of first aid supplies
 - (Optional) first-aid supplies

Before the Meeting

- ▶ Make final preparations with assistance from any assistant den leader or other parent helper, den chief, and/or denner. Organize the space (seating, flags, advancement charts, activity materials, handouts, etc.). If you're snacking, organize space for that and the cleanup.

Gathering

- ▶ Have a gathering activity (games, puzzles, other) that will keep Scouts interested and busy, and that others may join as they arrive. If the den desires, serve a healthy snack during this time.
- ▶ Collect dues, record attendance and any advancement completed at home (a good job for an assistant den leader). Assign parents to meeting roles and hand out a meeting plan to each.

Opening

- ▶ Conduct a flag ceremony, indoor (**Achievement 2b**) or outdoor (**Achievement 2f**). Options include: Gather in a line, circle, or square. Pledge of Allegiance; have the Scout leading the ceremony tell what the Pledge means (**Achievement 2a**); Cub Scout Promise or Law of the Pack; lead patriotic song.

Business Items

- ▶ Use this time to discuss participation in coming pack meetings or events, as needed.

Activities

- ▶ **Elective 16a** ("Talk with your family about what you will do in an emergency."):
 - You can discuss this in the den, about what the den would do in an emergency.
 - Pick different types of emergencies: fire, flood, windstorm, blizzard.
 - Scouts should then discuss this with their families following the den meeting.
- ▶ **Elective 16b** ("In case of a bad storm or flood, know where you can get safe food and water in your home. Tell how to purify water. Show one way. Know where and how to shut off water, electricity, gas, or oil."):
 - Using water purification tables, show how to purify water following the directions that came with the tablets.
 - If in a home, and with the owner's permission, show how to the turn off water, electricity, gas, or oil.
- ▶ **Elective 16c** ("Make a list of your first-aid supplies, or make a first-aid kit. Know where the first-aid things are kept."):
 - Find these in your meeting location.
 - Show the boys the first-aid supplies you brought and explain how each is used.

Want More Fun Activities?

This meeting may need a dose of Feats of Skill or games for active fun!

- ▶ Be ready, if you sense it is dragging, to pull out a quick game or quick set of Feats of Skill.
- ▶ Other Suggestions: Pick a game or relay from another portion of this Guide, or pull something from the emergency fun box.

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Closing

- ▶ Award (or recognize) any advancement completed at this meeting; thank hosts, guests, and helpers.
- ▶ Closing ceremony: Retire the colors (fold and return the flag), or have a den leader's minute with a Living Circle, or the Law of the Pack and den yell (or other ceremony).
- ▶ Hand out or send family information letter.

After the Meeting

- ▶ If you've changed the sequence of den meetings, double-check to make sure you will still advance your boys appropriately and check with the Cubmaster to make sure you stay coordinated with the pack.
- ▶ Refreshments: If appropriate
- ▶ Cleanup: Recruit enough help to do a good job. Scouts always leave an area as clean, or cleaner, than they found it.