MERIT BADGE SERIES

WOOD CARVING
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“Enhancing our youths’ competitive edge through merit badges”
Requirements

1. Do the following:
   a. Explain to your counselor the hazards you are most likely to encounter while wood carving, and what you should do to anticipate, help prevent, mitigate, or lessen these hazards.
   b. Show that you know first aid for injuries or illnesses that could occur while wood carving, including minor cuts and scratches and splinters.

2. Do the following:
   a. Earn the Totin’ Chip recognition.
   b. Discuss with your merit badge counselor your understanding of the Safety Checklist for Carving.

3. Do the following:
   a. Explain to your counselor, orally or in writing, the care and use of five types of tools that you may use in a carving project.
   b. Tell your counselor how to care for and use several types of sharpening devices, then demonstrate that you know how to use these devices.

4. Using a piece of scrap wood or a project on which you are working, show your merit badge counselor that you know how to do the following:
   a. Paring cut
   b. Basic cut and push cut
   c. “V” cut
   d. Score line or stop cut

5. Tell why different woods are used for different projects. Explain why you chose the type of wood you did for your projects in requirements 6 and 7.

6. Plan your own or select a project from this merit badge pamphlet and complete a simple carving in the round.

7. Complete a simple low-relief OR a chip carving project.
Resources

Scouting Literature

Deck of First Aid; Emergency First Aid pocket guide; Be Prepared First Aid Book; Woodwork merit badge pamphlet

Visit the Boy Scouts of America’s official retail website (with your parent’s permission) at http://www.scoutstuff.org for a complete listing of all merit badge pamphlets and other helpful Scouting materials and supplies.

Books


Tools and Supplies
If you have trouble finding supplies, try some of the places below. When you order, specify that you are a beginning wood carver so your project is not too difficult. All of the following businesses deal with carvers daily and can answer any question about wood-carving tools and supplies.

Bob Reitmeyer, whittler—wood craft supplies for Scouts
Website: http://www.whittlerbob.com
Source for neckerchief slide blanks.

Moore Roughouts
Toll-free telephone: 800-825-2657
Website: http://www.roughouts.com
Source of wood-carving blanks and tools.

Mountain Woodcarvers Inc.
Toll-free telephone: 800-292-6788
Website: http://www.mountainwoodcarvers.com
Sells wood-carving blanks, tools, and books.

Paul’s Supplies
Telephone: 303-948-2767
Website: http://www.paulssupplies.com

Woodcraft
Toll-free telephone: 800-225-1153
Website: http://www.woodcraft.com
Retailer of wood as well as carving tools and books.

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