



SCOUTMASTER BUCKY

Horsemanship Merit Badge Class Preparation Page

for **IN-PERSON** class only ScoutmasterBucky.com or ScoutmasterBucky@yahoo.com or 612-483-0665

Expectations

1. Read and Review ALL requirements prior to the class.
2. Active interaction / participation is expected and mandatory.
3. Share in your own words – avoid reading your answers.
4. Pay attention to the action verbs.
5. Bring proof of completion (even partially completed work).
6. A positive Scouting focus and attitude
7. Scout uniform.

Remember to Bring

1. Your Scouting Member ID (formerly BSA ID – **NOT** your Scoutbook ID) or your merit badge blue card properly filled out and signed off by your Unit Leader or authorized designee.
2. Notes and questions from reading the Horsemanship merit badge pamphlet.
3. Supporting documentation or project work pertinent to this merit badge that may also include a merit badge workbook for reference with notes.
4. Long pants and boots or hard-soled shoes with a heel (no sneakers or sandals)
5. Appropriate outdoor clothing for the forecasted weather conditions (most components of the class will take place outdoors)
6. Permission slip signed by parent or guardian when and if required, by the facility or location the horsemanship activity is being held at (check with Scoutmaster Bucky if you are uncertain whether a permission slip is needed)

Requirements Insight

Safety Expectations: This merit badge involves activities with a higher level of risk, so strict adherence to safety guidelines and instructor directions is required at all times. Scouts who are unable to follow these expectations will be dismissed from the class, forfeit participation fees, and may not continue in other event activities for the remainder of the day. The instructor's decision is final. A parent or guardian will be asked to promptly pick up their Scout if dismissal is necessary.

Requirement(s)	Expectations
1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, and 12	If you have prepared ahead of time, you will be able to complete these requirements during the class. • Time will be allotted for those Scouts who have prepared to share their work for completion consideration.
7, 9, and 10	These requirements will be done as a part of the class with the instructor / counselor and the facility's horses. • Review the Horsemanship merit badge pamphlet ahead of time so you know the steps for grooming, saddling, bridling, and leading a horse.
11	NOTE: These requirements are SKILL-BASED. • There is NO guarantee that a Scout will complete any or all of these requirements and their components. • Only Scouts who successfully demonstrate these skills to the counselor's satisfaction will be signed off. • Some Scouts may find it difficult to complete some of these requirement components simply due to physical development or other reasons. Every effort will be made to assist and accommodate each Scout; however, it MUST be noted again that these are skill-based requirements. • All Scouts will have an opportunity to demonstrate their ability to perform the specified task(s) in these requirements. • This class is not intended or presented as a riding instruction class.