



Leatherwork Merit Badge Workbook

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Scouts participating in a Scoutmaster Bucky merit badge opportunity, whether online or in person, should consider using the Leatherwork merit badge pamphlet for discovery and knowledge, along with the class preparation pages for clarifications, insights, and expectations.

<https://scoutmasterbucky.com/merit-badges/leatherwork/leatherwork-pamphlet.pdf>

<https://scoutmasterbucky.com/merit-badges/leatherwork/leatherwork-cpp.pdf>

REQUIREMENT 1a: Explain to your counselor the hazards you are most likely to encounter while using leatherwork tools and materials, and what you should do to anticipate, help prevent, mitigate, or lessen these hazards.

HAZARD #1

Description:

Anticipate:

Help Prevent:

Mitigate:

Respond:



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| HAZARD #2 |
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| Description: |
| Anticipate: |
| Help Prevent: |
| Mitigate: |
| Respond: |



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HAZARD #3

Description:

Anticipate:

Help Prevent:

Mitigate:

Respond:



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| HAZARD #4 |
| Description: |
| Anticipate: |
| Help Prevent: |
| Mitigate: |
| Respond: |



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| HAZARD #5 |
| Description: |
| Anticipate: |
| Help Prevent: |
| Mitigate: |
| Respond: |



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| HAZARD #6 |
| Description: |
| Anticipate: |
| Help Prevent: |
| Mitigate: |
| Respond: |



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REQUIREMENT 1b: Show that you know first aid for injuries or illnesses that could occur while working with leather, including minor cuts and scratches, puncture wounds, ingested poisoning, and reactions from exposure to chemicals such as dyes, cements, and finishes used in leatherworking.

MINOR CUTS AND SCRATCHES:

Prevention:

Symptoms:

Treatment:

PUNCTURE WOUNDS:

Prevention:

Symptoms:

Treatment:



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INGESTED POISONING:

Prevention:

Symptoms:

Treatment:

REACTIONS FROM CHEMICALS:

Prevention:

Symptoms:

Treatment:



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REQUIREMENT 2a: Explain where leather comes from.

Notes:

REQUIREMENT 2b: Explain the kinds of hides that are used to make leather.

Notes:

REQUIREMENT 2c: Explain five types of leather.

REQUIREMENT 2d: Explain the best uses for each type of leather.

LEATHER TYPE #1:

Best use for this type of leather:



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LEATHER TYPE #2:

Best use for this type of leather:

LEATHER TYPE #3:

Best use for this type of leather:

LEATHER TYPE #4:

Best use for this type of leather:



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REQUIREMENT 3: Make one or more articles of leather that use at least five of the following steps:

- a. Pattern layout and transfer
- b. Cutting leather
- c. Punching holes
- d. Carving or stamping surface designs
- e. Applying dye or stain and finish to the project
- f. Assembly by lacing or stitching
- g. Setting snaps and rivets
- h. Dressing edges

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Be sure to bring any completed work to share with your merit badge counselor

This requirement must be reviewed with your merit badge counselor.

BE PREPARED!

REQUIREMENT 4: Braid or plait an article out of leather, vinyl lace, or paracord.

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DO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING (5A, 5B, 5C, or 5D) FOR REQUIREMENT 5

REQUIREMENT 5a: Learn about the commercial tanning process. Report about it to your counselor.

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REQUIREMENT 5b: Tan the skin of a small animal.

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REQUIREMENT 5b: Describe the safety precautions you will take and the tanning method that you used.

Notes:

REQUIREMENT 5c: Recondition or show that you can take proper care of your shoes, a baseball glove, a saddle, furniture, or other articles of leather.

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REQUIREMENT 5c: Discuss with your counselor the advantages or disadvantages of leather vs. synthetic materials.

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REQUIREMENT 5d: Visit a leather-related business. This could be a leathercraft supply company, a tannery, a leather goods or shoe factory, or a saddle shop. Report on your visit to your counselor.

Place Visited:

Date and Location of Visit:

Notes:

