

MERIT BADGE DIFFICULTY

CAMP EMERALD BAY WLACC, BSA

Merit Badge Difficulty Chart

Scouts should be successful in acquiring the information and mastering the skills necessary to complete the requirements for Merit Badges offered at Emerald Bay. Therefore, to assist leaders and help Scouts choose appropriate Merit Badge classes, we have assigned numbers representing the relative difficulty of each class offered.

- Level 1: Recommended for Scouts of any age.
- Level 2: Recommended for Scouts aged 12 and above, **or** who have completed the Second Class rank.
- Level 3a: Recommended for Scouts aged 13 and above, **or** who have developed good study skills including report writing.
- Level 3b: Recommended for Scouts aged 13 and above, **or** who have developed the strength and coordination usually associated with 13 year olds.
- Level 4: Recommended for Scouts aged 14 and above, **or** who have developed the strength, coordination, and study skills associated with 14 year olds, or have substantial experience.

Level 1 Classes:

- Aquatics: Canoeing, Swimming
Handicraft: Art, Basketry, Leatherwork, Pottery, Woodcarving
Nature: Geology, Mammal Study, Nature

Level 2 Classes:

- Aquatics: Rowing
Nature: Geology, Oceanography, Soil and Water
Conservation
Scoutcraft: Camping, Orienteering, Pioneering, Wilderness
Survival

Level 3 Classes:

- Aquatics: Lifesaving (b), Motorboating (a), Sailing (b)
Handicraft: Pottery (b)
Nature: Astronomy (a), Environmental Science (a), Fish and
Wildlife Management (a)

Level 4 Classes:

- Field Sports: Archery, Rifle Shooting, Shotgun Shooting
Aquatics: Water Sports