



Pets



Merit Badge Workbook

This workbook can help you but you still need to read the merit badge pamphlet.

This Workbook can help you organize your thoughts as you prepare to meet with your merit badge counselor.

You still must satisfy your counselor that you can demonstrate each skill and have learned the information.

You should use the work space provided for each requirement to keep track of which requirements have been completed, and to make notes for discussing the item with your counselor, not for providing full and complete answers.

If a requirement says that you must take an action using words such as "discuss", "show", "tell", "explain", "demonstrate", "identify", etc, that is what you must do.

Merit Badge Counselors may not require the use of this or any similar workbooks.

No one may add or subtract from the official requirements found in Scouts BSA Requirements (Pub. 33216 – SKU 653801).

The requirements were last issued or revised in 2013 • This workbook was updated in June 2020.

Scout's Name: _____ Unit: _____

Counselor's Name: _____ Phone No.: _____ Email: _____

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1. Present evidence that you have cared for a pet for four months. *Get approval before you start.**

** Work done for other merit badges cannot be used for this requirement.*

2. Write in 200 words or more about the care, feeding, and housing of your pet.

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Tell some interesting facts about it.

Tell why you have this kind of pet.

Give local laws, if any, relating to the pet you keep.

- 3. Show that you have read a book or pamphlet, approved by your counselor, about your kind of pet.

Name of Book or Pamphlet

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Discuss with your counselor what you have learned from what you read.

4. Do any ONE of the following:

- a. Show your pet in some pet show.
- b. Start a friend raising a pet like yours. Help your friend get a good start.
- c. Train a pet in three or more tricks or special abilities.

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<input type="checkbox"/>	3.	

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