



CITIZENSHIP IN THE COMMUNITY

Merit Badge Requirements

- 1) Describe your community to your counselor giving:
 - A) A short history.
 - B) Cultures and ethnic groups.
 - C) Major places of employment.
 - D) What is the future of your community?

- 2) Mark or point out on a map of your community the following:
 - A) Chief government buildings such as your city hall, county courthouse, and public works services facility.
 - B) Fire station, police station, and hospital nearest your home.
 - C) Schools, churches, and synagogues near your home.
 - D) Main highways to neighboring cities and towns.
 - E) Nearest railroads and bus stations and airport, if any.
 - F) Chief industries or other major places of employment.
 - G) Historical and other interesting points.

- 3) Do the following:
 - A) Chart the organization of your local or state government. Show the top offices and tell which are elected or appointed.
 - B) Name the political parties in your community government and list four persons active in the politics of your community and what positions they hold.

- 4) Attend ONE of the following:
 - A) County or parish board meeting
 - B) City council meeting
 - C) School board meeting
 - D) Municipal, county, or state court session

- 5) After visiting the governmental meeting, obtain a copy of that body's published budget. Review the major sources of income and expenses for its operation with your counselor.

- 6) List the services your community provides to the citizens in return for the taxes paid by you and your parents

- 7) Select a city, a county, or school problem or issue under consideration from the local newspaper or news broadcast and write a letter expressing your views to the mayor, administrator, or school board president. Show this letter and any response to your counselor.

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- 8) List and describe the work of five volunteer organizations through which people in your community work together for the good of your community.
- 9) Tell how to report an accident or an emergency in your community
- 10) List five ways you can demonstrate good citizenship in your community, religious institution, school, or Scouting unit.

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Requirement 1

Give a short history of your community:

Describe some of the cultures and ethnic groups in your community:

Describe some major places of employment in your community:

Tell what you believe the future of your community is:

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Requirement 2

Mark or point out on a map of your community the following:

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| _____ City Hall | _____ County Courthouse | _____ Public Works Facility |
| _____ Fire Station | _____ Police Station | _____ Hospital closest to your home |
| _____ Schools | _____ Churches | _____ Synagogues |
| _____ Nearest Railroads | _____ Bus Stations | _____ Airport (if any) |
| _____ Historical and other interesting points | _____ Main Highway to neighboring cities and towns | |
| _____ Chief industries and other major places of employment | | |

Make a copy of your community map and attach it to this worksheet

Requirement 3

In the box below, chart the organization of your local or state government.

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Requirement 3 (Continued)

Which are the top offices?

Which are elected?

Which are appointed?

What political parties are in your community government:

List four people who are active in the politics of your community and the positions they hold:

Person: _____ Position: _____

Person: _____ Position: _____

Person: _____ Position: _____

Person: _____ Position: _____

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Requirement 7

Select a city or school problem or issue under consideration from the local newspaper or news broadcast and write a letter expressing your views to the mayor, administrator, or school board president. Show this letter and any response to your counselor.

The problem/issue I found was:

I wrote my letter to:

I showed the letter to my counselor: Yes No

Did you get a letter or any type of response back from your letter: Yes No

Attach a copy of your letter to this worksheet.

Requirement 8

List and describe the work of five organizations through which people in your community work together for the good of your community.

Organization: _____

Description of what they do for the community:

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Requirement 8 (Continued)

Organization: _____

Description of what they do for the community:

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Organization: _____

Description of what they do for the community:

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Requirement 10

List five ways you can demonstrate good citizenship in your community, religious institution, school, or Scouting unit.

Place: _____

What can you do to demonstrate good citizenship?

Place: _____

What can you do to demonstrate good citizenship?

Place: _____

What can you do to demonstrate good citizenship?

Place: _____

What can you do to demonstrate good citizenship?

Place: _____

What can you do to demonstrate good citizenship?
