

**Columbia-Montour Council, BSA**  
**Camp Lavigne – Scouts BSA Summer Camp 2020**  
**Merit Badge Prerequisites**



**FORESTRY**

The following requirements must be completed prior to arrival at camp, if the Scout is to complete the merit badge at the end of his long-term camping experience this summer. A Scout should decide with his Scoutmaster's counseling and approval what merit badges he will work on at summer camp at least six weeks prior to his arrival. Numbers and letters refer to the requirements listed in the Merit Badge's worksheet/pamphlet.

*If a requirement is not listed below, it can be completed at camp, unless otherwise specified while there.*

*Be sure use the most recent Merit Badge Pamphlet.*

**A Scout MUST bring proof of the completion of his prerequisites to camp.**

5. With your parent's and counselor's approval, do ONE of the following:

- (a) Visit a managed public or private forest area with the manager or a forester who is familiar with it. Write a brief report describing the type of forest, the management objectives, and the forestry techniques used to achieve the objectives.
- (b) With a knowledgeable individual, visit a logging operation or wood-using manufacturing plant. Write a brief report describing the following:
  - (1) The species and size of trees being harvested or used and the location of the harvest area or manufacturer
  - (2) The origin of the forest or stands of trees being utilized (e.g., planted or natural)
  - (3) The forest's successional stage. What is its future?
  - (4) Where the trees are coming from (land ownership) or where they are going (type of mill or processing plant)
  - (5) The products that are made from the trees
  - (6) How the products are made and used
  - (7) How waste materials from the logging operation or manufacturing plant are disposed of or utilized
- (c) Take part in a forest-fire prevention campaign in cooperation with your local fire warden, state wildfire agency, forester, or counselor. Write a brief report describing the campaign, how it will help prevent wildfires, and your part in it.

6. In your camp, local recreation area (park or equivalent), or neighborhood, inventory the trees that may be a hazard to structures or people. Make a list by area (campsite, road, trail, street, etc.). Note the species and hazardous condition, and suggest a remedy (removal or trimming). Make your list available to the proper authority or agency