



LAW MERIT BADGE WORKSHEET (BYU/UVU PowWow)

Scout's Name

Instructor's Name

Scout's Address

City

State

Zip

Instructions

- 1) The Scout is to review the merit badge book before the first week of PowWow.
- 2) Bring this work sheet, paper, and a pen or a pencil each week.

Requirement Instructions*

- 1) Requirement 1 will be passed off during the two sessions of PowWow.
- 2) Requirement 2 will be passed off during the two sessions of PowWow.
- 3) Requirement 3 will be passed off during the two sessions of PowWow.
- 4) Requirement 4 must be completed as **homework** during the time between the two sessions of PowWow.
- 5) Requirement 5 will be passed off during the two sessions of PowWow.
- 6) Requirement 6 must be completed as **homework** during the time between the two sessions of PowWow.
- 7) Requirement 7 must be completed as **homework** during the time between the two sessions of PowWow.
- 8) Requirement 8 will be passed off during the two sessions of PowWow.
- 9) Requirement 9 will be passed off during the two sessions of PowWow.
- 10) Requirement 10 will be passed off during the two sessions of PowWow.
- 11) Requirement 11 will be passed off during the two sessions of PowWow.

*All requirements may be subject to change by the merit badge counselor based on time constraints at the PowWow session. Please listen to all instructions given by the instructor to be aware of any changes.

Requirement 1

Initial

Define "law":

What are some of the sources of law?

Describe the functions that law serves.

Requirement 2

Initial

You have been given three options for this requirement. Select and complete TWO of them.

Option 1:

What is the Justinian Code?

What is the Code of Hammurabi?

What is the Magna Carta?

Option 2:

Discuss the development of the jury system.

Option 3:

Discuss two famous trials in history.

Requirement 3

Initial

What is Civil Law?

Give an example of Civil Law.

What is Criminal Law?

Give an example of Criminal Law.

What are the main differences between Civil and Criminal Law?

Requirement 4

Initial

Ask five people (not more than one from your immediate family) about the role of law enforcement officers in our society. Discuss their answers with them and report your findings.

Person 1:
Findings:

Person 2:
Findings:

Person 3:
Findings:

Person 4:
Findings:

Person 5:
Findings:

Go to a law enforcement officer in your neighborhood and ask about his or her responsibilities and duties.

Officer's Name:

Responsibilities and Duties:

Requirement 5

Initial

Tell about several laws that have been passed to protect the consumer and the seller.

Tell about several organizations that exist that are there to help consumers and sellers.

Requirement 6

Initial

You have been given two options for this requirement. Select and complete ONE of them.

Option 1:

Attend a session of a civil or criminal court. Write 250 words or more about your experience. Attach your report to this work sheet.

Option 2:

Plan and conduct a mock trial with your troop or school class. After the trial is over, discuss it with the group. Write a summary of the experience and attach it to this worksheet.

Requirement 7

Initial

Arrange a visit with a lawyer who works for a business, bank, title company, or government agency. Find out their duties and responsibilities.

Report what you learned. If it is impossible to arrange such a visit, discuss with your counselor the duties and responsibilities of a lawyer who works for one of the groups listed.

Person Visited:

For whom do they work?

What are their duties and responsibilities?

What did you learn?

Requirement 8

Initial

What are the requirements for becoming a lawyer in your state?

Describe how judges are selected in your state.

Requirement 9

Initial

Make a list of 15 jobs which deal with some aspects of law or legal processes.

Which job do you prefer?

Why?

Requirement 10

Initial

Where can a person go to obtain the help of a lawyer if they are unable to pay for one?

What can you do if you can afford a lawyer but do not know of any in your area?

Requirement 11

Discuss with your counselor and in the spaces provided the importance in our society of TWO of the following areas of law that have recently emerged and are still developing:

Environmental Law Computers and the Internet Copyright and the Internet Space Travel and Satellites Orbiting the Earth

Selected area of law:

Importance to society:

Selected area of law:

Importance to society:

Merit badge work sheets will not be accepted at the Council Office in place of the official Merit Badge Application Card. Those who do not complete all the requirements should take their partially completed merit badge work sheet and their official application card to their local merit badge counselors for completion.