

Insect Study Merit Badge Prerequisites

Please complete the following requirements before attending the Insect Study Merit Badge Clinic

5. Do the following:

a. observe 20 different live species of insects in their habitat. In your observations, include at least four orders of insects.

b. Make a scrapbook of the 20 insects you observe in Da. Include photographs, sketches, illustrations, and articles. Label each insect with its common and scientific names, where possible. Share your scrapbook with your merit badge counselor.

6. Do the following:

a. From your scrapbook collection, identify three species of insects helpful to humans and five species of insects harmful to humans.

b. Describe some general methods of insect control.

9. Raise an insect through complete metamorphosis from its larva stage to its adult stage (e.g., raise a butterfly or moth from a caterpillar).

13. Find out about three career opportunities in insect study. Pick one and find out the education, training, and experience required for this profession. Discuss this with your counselor, and explain why this profession might interest you.