



Royal Rangers

Merit Requirements: **Gold-Bordered Merit**

CAMP SAFETY

Note: This merit, the Home Safety Merit, the Emergency Preparedness Merit, or the Lifesaving Merit is required to earn the Gold Medal of Achievement.

1. Make a list of the safety precautions that should be considered when selecting a campsite.
2. Describe the safety plans that would be implemented if the following weather conditions occurred while camping:
 - a. Lightning
 - b. Tornado
 - c. Hail
 - d. Heavy rain
3. Demonstrate the proper method of washing dishes to avoid illness while on a camp-out.
4. Demonstrate the proper method of disposing of garbage and dishwater.
5. Explain the proper procedure for disposing of solid and liquid waste.
6. With the assistance of another patrol member, construct a latrine during a Royal Ranger outing.
7. Explain the following types of infection caused by improper food handling and describe what safety precautions can be used to avoid infection:
 - a. E. coli
 - b. Salmonella
 - c. Hepatitis A
8. Define "botulism."
9. Explain the importance of properly storing food while camping.
10. Explain how food spoils and what can be done to prevent food spoilage.
11. Demonstrate how to properly store fresh vegetables and fruits while on a camp-out.
12. Demonstrate how to properly store fresh meat and meat products, milk, cheese, eggs, and mayonnaise while on a camp-out.
13. Explain the purpose of a cut and chop area. With the assistance of another patrol member, properly construct a cut and chop area.
14. Explain the safety rules for a propane stove and lantern.
15. Demonstrate how to replace a lantern mantle.
16. Explain the safety rules for a liquid fuel stove and the handling precautions for liquid fuel.
17. Demonstrate how to properly start and use a liquid or propane fuel stove.