



Merit Badge Information Sheet [MBIS]  
January 13, 2024

<b>Merit Badge:</b>	<b>Public Health</b>
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<b>Preferred Method of Contact:</b>	Email
<b>Prerequisites:</b> <i>list all requirements which need to be completed in advance</i>	<p><b>5(a) or 5(b)</b> visit a wastewater or solid-waste treatment facility OR visit a food service facility.</p> <p><b>7(a) or 7(b), including (i), (ii), and (iii)</b> visit public health agency or their website; (i) Compare the four leading causes of mortality (death) in your community for any of the past five years with the four leading causes of disease in your community. Explain how the public health agency you visited is trying to reduce the mortality and morbidity rates of these leading causes of illness and death.</p> <p>(ii) Explain the role of your health agency as it relates to the outbreak of diseases.</p> <p>(iii) Discuss the kinds of public assistance the agency is able to provide in case of disasters such as floods, storms, tornadoes, earthquakes, and other acts of destruction. Your discussion can include the cleanup necessary after the disaster.</p> <p><b>8.</b> research a public health profession; identify education, training and experience requirements for that profession.</p>
<b>Class Work:</b> <i>list all requirements which will be completed in class</i>	<b>Everything not listed above, including 1(a) (b) (c), 2, 3, 4 and 6</b>
<b>Use of “Online” Workbook:</b>	<b>Found at = <a href="http://usscouts.org/mb/worksheets">http://usscouts.org/mb/worksheets</a></b> Not required but helpful to share completion of prerequisites.
<b>Merit Badge Booklet:</b>	<b>NOT REQUIRED (worksheet recommended)</b> Booklet purchase is not required, but extremely helpful. The content of merit badge book should be reviewed prior to class (local library might have a copy if your troop



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	does not).
<b>Number of Sessions needed:</b>	2 (2 sessions are scheduled but may require less time than the full 3 hours. Be prepared for significant group discussion of the public health issues covered in the requirements.)
<b>Maximum Class Size:</b>	15
<b>Notes and/or Comments:</b>	1) If you email me your completed prerequisites at least two days BEFORE our session, I can review your work in advance and be ready to issue a completed blue card after the session. You may also forward me the prerequisites after the session.