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## ARROW OF LIGHT REQUIREMENTS

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## **Arrow of Light Requirements**

- 1. Be active in your webelos den for at least six months since completing the fourth grade (or at least six months since becoming ten years old,) and earn the webelos badge.
- 2. Show your knowledge of the requirements to become a Boy Scout by doing all of these.
- a. Repeat from memory and explain in your own words the Scout Oath or Promise and the 12 points of the Scout Law. Tell how you have practiced them in your everyday life.
  - b. Give and explain the Scout motto, slogan, sign, salute and handclasp.
- c. Understand the significance of the Scout badge. Know its parts and tell what each stands for.
- d. Tell how a Boy Scout uniform is different from a Webelos Scout uniform.
- 3. Earn five more activity badges for a total of eight. (You already earned three for the Webelos badge.) The total of eight must include Citizen, Fitness, Readyman, and at least one from the outdoor group, one from the mental skills group, and one from the technology group. (List of activity badges is on pg. 28 of the Webelos handbook.)
- 4. With your Webelos den, visit at least one Boy Scout troop meeting, AND one Boy Scout oriented outdoor activity.
- 5. Participate in a Webelos overnight campout OR day hike.
- 6. After you have completed all five of the above requirements, and after a talk with your Webelos leader, arrange to visit, with your parent or guardian, a meeting of a Boy Scout troop you think you might like to join. Talk to the Scoutmaster. Then get an "Application to Become a Boy Scout,"

fill it out, and have your parent or guardian sign it. Show it to your Webelos leader and talk about your interest in becoming a scout.

I'm posting these requirements to benefit leaders (cubmasters and others) who may not have a Webelos handbook, or a current one. I learned a while

ago that if I was going to be a cubmaster I needed a handbook for each rank.

That helped me plan field trips that would be beneficial to all. And, it also helped me keep track of the boys achievements.

A Webelo scout does not have to go overnight camping with the boy scouts to

earn the Arrow of Light badge. (Surprised me, too...I thought it was a requirement.) Apparently, he doesn't have to go camping at all. But, most boys do go on at least one overnight campout as a Webelo district activity, and another with the sister troop. If a boy cannot go camping for any reason, he should be made to understand that the Arrow of Light is not out of reach for him.

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