



Spirit of the Water

Cub Scouts · Elective · Wolf rank

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Spirit of the Water is about where your water comes from and how to protect it. You'll trace water to your faucet and find ways to save it. Clean water matters to every living thing.

Requirements

Every official requirement, in plain language. Check the official wording when you sign off (scouting.org/cub-scout-adventures/spirit-of-the-water/). Tips and examples are ideas, not extra requirements.

☐ 1 Find out the source of the water you use at home

Tip: Ask an adult to look at the water bill or call the city to find out where your water comes from.

Example: You might learn your water comes from a river or lake and travels through a treatment plant and pipes under the street, or from a well that pumps water up from underground.

☐ 2 Discuss how water can become polluted

Tip: Talk about how trash, oil, or chemicals can wash into rivers and lakes.

Example: Rain washes things into storm drains, like trash, oil from cars, and pet waste. Many storm drains flow right into streams and lakes without being cleaned first.

☐ 3 Share some ways to save water at home

Tip: Turn off the faucet while brushing your teeth and take shorter showers. Make a list to share.

Example: Your list might include: take shorter showers, turn off the faucet while brushing, run the dishwasher only when it's full, and tell an adult when a faucet drips.

☐ **4** Find out how your community treats water to make it safe to drink

Tip: Visit or look up your local water treatment plant to see how it cleans water.

Example: Treatment plants let dirt settle to the bottom, filter the water through layers like sand and gravel, and add a disinfectant to kill germs before it reaches your faucet.