



Royal Rangers

Merit Requirements: Blue-Bordered Merit

PETS

Note: The work done for this merit cannot be applied to another merit, nor can the work for another merit be applied to this merit.

1. Keep a daily log of the care given to an animal for six consecutive weeks.
2. Write a 150-word essay discussing the following items about the pet you have chosen.
 - a. Why did you choose this animal?
 - b. List two common places in the world this animal is kept as a pet.
 - c. Give the history of when this animal was first domesticated.
 - d. What species of this animal are still found in the wild?
 - e. Discuss any laws that govern the keeping of this animal as a pet (e.g., licensing).
3. Draw or take a picture of the animal you have chosen (preferably the one you are actually caring for). Label at least ten major body parts.
4. Read a book, pamphlet, or web site about the animal you have chosen and give an oral report to your Rangers group. Show the picture you created for Requirement 3 or bring the animal with you.
5. Describe the environment the chosen animal lives in and how you will create a proper habitat for it. Include a sketch of your plan and an estimate of the cost to build or buy it.
6. Using pictures or sketches, describe five different types of this animal, showing the major differences between them.
7. Make a list of the names, addresses, and telephone numbers of five individuals or organizations where you could obtain medical treatment for the animal you have chosen.