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⬜ 1. Satisfy your counselor that you have current knowledge of all first-aid requirements for Tenderfoot, Second Class and First Class ranks.  
NOTE: *Excerpts from the Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class Rank Workbooks, showing the first aid requirements for those ranks can be found at the back of this workbook.*

2. Explain how you would obtain emergency medical assistance from

a. Your home

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b. A remote location on a wilderness camping trip:

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c. An activity on open water:

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3. Define the term triage.

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Explain the steps necessary to assess and handle a medical emergency until help arrives..

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4. Explain the universal precautions as applied to the transmission of infections.

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Discuss the ways you should protect yourself and the victim while administering first aid..

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5. Prepare a first-aid kit for your home. Display and discuss its contents with your counselor.

6. Describe the early signs and symptoms of each of the following and explain what actions you should take:

a. Shock

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b. Heart attack

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c. Stroke

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7. Do the following:

a. Describe the conditions that must exist before performing CPR on a person.

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⬜ Then demonstrate proper CPR technique using a training device approved by your counselor.

b. Explain the use of an automated external defibrillator (AED).

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Identify the location of the AED at your school, place of worship, and troop meeting place, if one is present.

8. Show the steps that need to be taken for someone suffering from a severe cut on the leg and on the wrist.

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Tell the dangers in the use of a tourniquet and the conditions under which its use is justified.

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9. Explain when a bee sting could be life threatening and what action should be taken for prevention and for first aid.

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| When: |  |
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| Prevention: |  |
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| First aid. |  |
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10. Describe the signs and symptoms and demonstrate the proper procedures for handling and immobilizing suspected closed and open fractures or dislocations of the

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11. Describe the signs, symptoms and possible complications and demonstrate care for someone with a suspected injury to the head, neck, or back.

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12. Describe the symptoms, proper first-aid procedures, and possible prevention measures for the following conditions:

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| a. | Anaphylaxis / allergic reactions |  |
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| b. | Bruises |  |
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| c | Sprains or strains |  |
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| d. | Hypothermia |  |
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| e. | Frostbite |  |
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| f. | Burns - first, second, and third degree |  |
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| g. | Convulsions/seizures |  |
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| h. | Dehydration |  |
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| i. | Muscle cramps |  |
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| j. | Heat exhaustion |  |
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| k. | Heat stroke |  |
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| l. | Abdominal pain |  |
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| m. | Broken, chipped, or loosened tooth |  |
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13. Do the following:

a. Describe the conditions under which an injured person should be moved

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b. If a sick or an injured person must be moved, tell how you determine the best method.

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⬜ Demonstrate this method.

⬜ c. With helpers under your supervision, improvise a stretcher and move a presumably unconscious person.

⬜14. Teach another Scout a first-aid skill selected by your counselor.

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**TENDERFOOT**

**FIRST AID and NATURE**

⬜ 4. a. Show first aid for the following:

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| * Simple cuts and scrapes |  |
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| * Blisters on the hand and foot |  |
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| * Minor (thermal/heat) burns or scalds (superficial, or first degree) |  |
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| * Bites or stings of insects and ticks |  |
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| * Venomous snakebite |  |
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| * Nosebleed |  |
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| * Frostbite and sunburn |  |
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| * Choking |  |
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⬜ b. Describe common poisonous or hazardous plants; identify any that grow in your local area or campsite location.

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⬜ identify any that grow in your local area or campsite location.

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⬜ Tell how to treat for exposure to them.

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⬜ c. Tell what you can do while on a campout or other outdoor activitiy to prevent or reduce the occurrence of injuries or exposure listed in Tenderfoot requirements 4a and 4b.

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| * Simple cuts and scrapes |  |
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| * Blisters on the hand and foot |  |
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| * Minor (thermal/heat) burns or scalds (superficial, or first degree) |  |
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| * Bites or stings of insects and ticks |  |
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| * Choking |  |
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| * Poisonous or hazardous plants |  |
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⬜ d Assemble a personal first-aid kit to carry with you on future campouts and hikes.

⬜ Tell how each item in the kit would be used.

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**SECOND CLASS**

**FIRST AID AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**

⬜ 6. a. Demonstrate first aid for the following:

⬜ ● Object in the eye

⬜ ● Bite of a warm-blooded animal

⬜ ● Puncture wounds from a splinter, nail, and fishhook

⬜ Splinter

⬜ Nail

⬜ Fishhook

⬜ ● Serious burns (partial thickness, or second-degree)

⬜ ● Heat exhaustion

⬜ ● Shock

● Heatstroke, dehydration, hypothermia, and hyperventilation

⬜ Heatstroke

⬜ Dehydration

⬜ Hypothermia

⬜ Hyperventilation

⬜ b. Show what to do for "hurry" cases of stopped breathing, stroke, severe bleeding, and ingested poisoning.

⬜ ● Stopped breathing

⬜ ● Stroke

⬜ ● Severe bleeding

⬜ ● Ingested poisoning

⬜ c. Tell what you can do while on a campout or hike to prevent or reduce the occurrence of the injuries listed in Second Class requirements 6a and 6b.

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| Bite of a warm-blooded animal |  |
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| Puncture wounds from a splinter |  |
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| Puncture wounds from a nail |  |
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| Puncture wounds from a fishhook |  |
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| Serious burns |  |
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| Heat exhaustion |  |
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| Dehydration |  |
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| Hypothermia |  |
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| Hyperventilation |  |
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| Stopped breathing |  |
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| Stroke |  |
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| Severe bleeding |  |
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⬜ d. Explain what to do in case of accidents that require emergency response in the home and backcountry.

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⬜ Explain what constitutes an emergency and what information you will need to provide to a responder.

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⬜ e. Tell how you should respond if you come upon the scene of a vehicular accident.

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**FIRST CLASS**

**FIRST AID AND EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**

⬜ 7. a. Demonstrate bandages for a sprained ankle and for injuries on the head, the upper arm, and the collarbone.

⬜ Sprained ankle

⬜ Injuries on the head

⬜ Injuries on the upper arm

⬜ Injuries on the collarbone

⬜ b. By yourself and with a partner, show how to:

⬜ Transport a person from a smoke-filled room.

⬜ Transport for at least 25 yards a person with a sprained ankle

⬜ c. Tell the five most common signals of a heart attack.

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Explain the steps (procedures) in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR).

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⬜ d. Tell what utility services exist in your home or meeting place. Describe potential hazards associated with these utilities and tell how to respond in emergency situations.

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⬜ e. Develop an emergency action plan for your home that includes what to do in case of fire, storm, power outage, and water outage.

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⬜ f. Explain how to obtain potable water in an emergency.

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