



Bobcat Rank Requirements

The first rank that EVERY boy earns when entering the Cub Scouting Program is the Bobcat rank. These requirements are meant to demonstrate that the boy is making a commitment to participating in the scouting program. Very similar requirements are expected of a boy joining Boy Scouts to earn his Scout rank.

To earn the Bobcat rank the new Cub Scout does the following:

1. Learn and say the **CUB SCOUT PROMISE:**

"I(name).... promise to do my best
To do my duty to God and my country,
To help other people, and
To obey the Law of the Pack. "

Meaning of the Cub Scout Promise:

Duty to God means: Put God first. Do what you know God wants you to do. And my country means: Do what you can for your country. Be proud that you are an American. To help other people means: Do things for others that would please them. Obey the Law of the Pack means: Be a good Cub Scout. Be proud that you are one.

2. Say the **LAW OF THE PACK.** Tell what it means.

"The Cub Scout follows Akela.
The Cub Scout helps the pack go.
The pack helps the Cub Scout Grow.
The Cub Scout gives goodwill."

Meaning of The Law Of The Pack:

The Cub Scout follows Akela (say Ah-KAY-la) means: Akela is a good leader. Your mother or father is Akela. In the Pack, your Cubmaster is Akela. Your Den Leader is Akela. At school, your teacher is Akela. The Cub Scout helps the Pack go means: Come to all the meetings. Do what you can to help. Think of others in the pack. The Pack helps the Cub Scout grow means: You can have fun when you are a part of the pack. Learn things from others. Do things with them. The Cub Scout gives goodwill means: Smile. Be happy. Do things that make others happy. They don't have to be big things. Little Things help, too.

3. Tell what **WEBELOS** means:

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4. Show the CUB SCOUT SIGN. Tell what it means.

Make the sign with your right hand and with your arm held straight up. The two fingers stand for two parts of the Promise - "to help other people" and "to obey." They look like a wolf's ears ready to listen to Akela. Give the Cub Scout Sign when you say the Cub Scout Promise or the Law of the Pack.



5. Show the CUB SCOUT HANDSHAKE. Tell what it means.

Using your right hand, place your first two fingers along the inside of the other boy's wrist. This means that you help and that you obey the law of the Pack.



6. Say the CUB SCOUT MOTTO.

"Do Your Best"

7. Give the CUB SCOUT SALUTE. Tell what it means.

Point your first two fingers of your right hand out straight and close together. Touch the tips of the fingers to your cap or if not wearing a cap then to your eyebrow. A salute is a way to show respect. When you salute a leader (either adult or other scout), you show him or her that you respect their position. When you salute the flag, you show that you are proud of your country.



8. With your parent or guardian, complete the exercises in the booklet, ***“A BOBCAT REQUIREMENT”***

The above items are the basic information that ALL Cub Scouts learn, which is why EVERY boy who enters into Cub Scouting earns the Bobcat Badge.