Summer Camp
Geocaching Merit Badge Pre-requisites:

Dear Scoutmaster,

Your scout _____ is taking the Geocaching Merit Badge this week at camp. This badge has several requirements that needed to be done before summer camp. They are listed below with a description of each one. If you could initial next to the requirements your scout has completed and then sign the bottom of the sheet verifying it's accuracy that would be much appreciated. This helps us, the counselors, to know which pre-reqs your scout has completed. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,
Nicolette Manning
Camp Outdoor Skills Area Director

7	With your parent's permission, go to www.geocaching.com. Type in your zip code to locate public geocaches in your area. Share with your counselor the posted information about three of those geocaches. Then, pick one of the three and find the cache.	
8	Do ONE of the following: (Circle the one completed) a. If a Cache to Eagle® series exists in your council, visit at least three of the locations in the series. Describe the projects that each cache you visit highlights, and explain how the Cache to Eagle® program helps share our Scouting service to the public. b. Create a Scouting-related Travel Bug® that promotes one of the values of scouting. "Release" your Travel Bug into a public geocache and, with your parent's permission, monitor its progress at www.geocaching.com for 30 days. Keep a log, and share this with your counselor at the end of the 30-day period. c. Set up and hide a public geocache, following the guidelines in the *Geocaching* merit badge pamphlet. Before doing so, share with your counselor a six-month maintenance plan for the geocache where you are personally responsible for the first three months. After setting up the geocache, with your parent's permission, follow the logs online for 30 days and share them with your counselor. d. Explain what Cache In Trash Out (CITO) means, and describe how you have practices CITO at public geocaches or at a CITO event. Then, either create CITO containers to leave at public caches, or host a CITO event for your unit or for the public.	
9	Plan a geohunt for a youth group such as your troop or a neighborhood pack, at school, or your place of worship. Choose a theme, set up a course with at least four waypoints, teach the players how to use a GPS unit, and play the game. Tell your counselor about your experience, and share the materials you used and developed for this event.	

Scoutmaster's Signature: _____