A Great Adventure in Winter Camping Polar Bear Patch Requirements

This patch is available to any Scout, Explorer or Scouter who:

1. Camps out with the patrol or troop, at least one night when the temperature drops to at least -1°F. Camping must be under canvas or a natural shelter such as a quinzee or snow cave.

2. Temperature is to be verified by local authorities, registered members of the Order of the Arrow, or a signed letter from the adult leader. "Wind chill" factor will not be considered.

3. If not verified by local authorities, two large thermometers should be used. The reading on the thermometers should be no more than 2 increments (a crude thermometer is not permitted).

4. Cook at least 2 meals in the outdoors using charcoal or gas stoves. (Low impact cooking recommended – ground fires are not low impact!)

5. The time, place, names of individuals who qualify for the patch will be submitted to the Council Service Center at the time patches are purchased.

6. A bronze star may be awarded for each additional time qualified for the Polar Bear Patch.

Please list names on back.

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Unit #: _____ District: _____

Location: _____

Date: _____ Time: _____

Individual Names:

Scout: _____ Adult: _____

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Unit Leader Signature: _____

Date Submitted to Council: _____

Verified By: _____ Date: _____
(Local authorities, Order of the Arrow Member, Letter from adult leader)