



PATROL LEADER

GENERAL INFORMATION

Type: Elected by members of the patrol

Term: 6 months

Reports to: Senior Patrol Leader

Description: The Patrol Leader is the elected leader of his patrol. He represents his patrol on the PLC.

Comments: The Patrol Leader may easily be the most important job in the troop. He has the closest contact with the patrol members and is in the perfect position to help and guide them. The Patrol Leaders, along with the Senior Patrol Leader and Assistant Senior Patrol Leader are the primary members of the PLC.

QUALIFICATIONS

Age: 12 or older

Rank: 2nd Class or higher

Experience: none, but preferably have served as APL

Attendance: 60% over the previous 6 months

PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

Training: You must attend the Troop Leader Training (TLT) even if you have attended in the past.

Attendance: You are expected to attend 80% of all troop meetings, PLC meetings, outings, and service projects. If your attendance is low, or if you have three (3) unexcused absences in a row, you can be removed from office.

Effort: You are expected to give this job your best effort.

GENERAL LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

Uniform: Set the example by wearing your uniform correctly. This means that you will wear all of the parts of the troop uniform, shirttail tucked in, with all required badges in their correct locations.

Behavior: Set the example by living the Scout Oath and Law in your everyday life. Show Scout Spirit in everything you say and do. Lead by example at all times.

Attendance: Set the example by being an active Scout. Be early for meetings and activities. You must call the SPL if you are not going to be at a meeting or if you suddenly have to miss an outing. You also need to make sure that the Assistant Patrol Leader is ready to assume your responsibilities.

SPECIFIC LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

- Appoints the Assistant Patrol Leader, and Patrol Quartermaster, Grubmaster, and Scribe.
- Represents the patrol on the PLC as a voting member.
- Plans and steers patrol meetings and activities.
- Helps Scouts advance.
- Keeps patrol members informed.
- Plans transportation needs of patrol to troop & patrol activities.
- Knows what his patrol members' strengths are.
- Assigns patrol duties on campouts and activities.
- Makes sure patrol flags are prepared for patrol and troop activities.
- Builds Scout spirit for patrol members.
- Sees that patrol tents, equipment, and the area around the tents are kept neat, clean, and orderly.