

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 Patrol Leaders Council.

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 Patrol Leaders Council.

QUALIFICATIONS

Age: None

Rank: None

Experience: None

Attendance: Satisfy the Troop's "active scout" standard by attending at least six troop events (meetings or campouts), and at least one community service event or troop service event (like the pancake breakfast), within the preceding six-month period.

PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

Training: You must attend the troop Junior Leader Training even if you have attended in the past.

Attendance: You are expected to attend 70% of all troop meetings, Patrol Leaders Council 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.

Attendance: Set the example by being an active Scout. Be on-time for meetings and activities. You must call the Senior Patrol Leader or Scoutmaster 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.

Represents the patrol on the Patrol Leaders Council.

Plans and steers patrol meetings.

Helps Scouts advance.

Acts as the chief recruiter of new Scouts.

Keeps patrol members informed.

Knows what his patrol members and other leaders can do.