



Troop 93 Scout Leadership Positions Duties and Responsibilities

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Leading the way...

What does that mean?

Think about being a Cub Scout. You came to den meetings and did a lot of different and fun things. But who decided what to do and who planned the activities? The Den Leaders, right?

Sports teams are a lot of fun, too. But who decides who plays what position, who's on the starting lineup and when to substitute? The coach, right?

There is one thing that makes Scouting different from all other youth groups. Do you know what it is?

Well, it is not the uniform. Every soccer, basketball, and baseball team has a uniform. It is not the fun activities. There are a lot of other things that are fun.

And it certainly isn't cleaning dirty pots and pans on a campout.!!

What makes Scouting special is that YOU make the decisions!

That's right! YOU run the troop. Baden-Powell made it very plain in <u>Aids to Scoutmastership</u> when he wrote, "The best progress is made in those Troops where power and responsibility are really put into the hands of the Patrol Leaders."

This is real decision making power. And not it's not just Patrol Leaders. All of the troop leadership positions have a hand in making the Troop run. As a troop leader you will:

Plan and run troop meetings,
Pick troop outings, where to camp, what to do,
Plan advancement opportunities for all troop members
Select High-Adventure programs
Determine troop policy
Help other Scouts along the trail to Eagle.

Sound cool? It really is! The adults are there to provide support but YOU will be making the decisions.

Because being a leader is more than just sewing on a patch we have put together job descriptions for the troop leadership positions. They will give you a good idea of what each job is all about and what you will be required to do.

Here's how to be considered for a position. First read the job descriptions, qualifications, and job responsibilities. Then decide what you want to do and talk it over with your parents. You can also talk it over with other Scouts who have served in that position. Finally, get a troop job application form, fill it out, have your parent(s) read and sign it and turn it in.

So, are you ready to "Lead the way"? We sure hope so!

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Troop 93 Leadership Position Description

DEN CHIEF

GENERAL INFORMATION

Type: Appointed by the Scoutmaster

Term: 1 year

Reports to: Scoutmaster and Den Leader

Description: The Den Chief works with the Cub Scouts, Webelos Scouts, and Den Leaders in the Cub Scout pack. **Comments:** The Den Chief provides knowledge of games and Scout skills that many Den Leaders lack. The Den

Chief is also a recruiter for the troop. This function is important because no troop can thrive without

new members and most new members will come from Cub Scouting.

QUALIFICATIONS

Age: none

Rank: 1st Class and above

Experience: none

Attendance: 75% over previous 6 months

PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

Training: You must attend the Den Leader Training.

Attendance: You are expected to attend 75% 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.

In terms of attendance with your den, you are expected to attend 90% of den meetings and pack

functions. You must inform the Den Leader if you will be absent.

Effort: You are expected to given 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 someone will assume your responsibilities.

SPECIFIC LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

Knows the purposes of Cub Scouting

Helps Cub Scouts advance through Cub Scout ranks.

Encourages Cub Scouts to join a Boy Scout troop upon graduation.

Assists with activities in the den meetings.

Is a friend to the boys in the den.

Helps out at weekly den meetings and monthly pack meetings.

Meets with adult members of the den, pack, and troop as necessary.

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