

Patrol Leader- Troop 420



GENERAL INFORMATION

Type: Elected

Term: 6 months

Reports to: Senior Patrol Leader

Description: The Patrol Leader plans and leads patrol meetings and activities. He represents his patrol at all patrol leaders' council meetings and at the annual planning conference.

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: Must be an active member of the Troop, meaning has been attending most Troop Meetings and other outings.

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

- 75% of all troop meetings (3 of 4 each month),
- 5 of 6 Patrol Leaders' Council meetings and
- At least ½ of all outings, events 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 and to use your SPL for advice and direction when needed.

GENERAL LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

Uniform: Set the example by always 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 if you are not going to be at a meeting or if you have an emergency and cannot attend a meeting, outing or activity you have committed to. You should have an Assistant Patrol Leader ready to assume your responsibilities anytime you are absent. You are to plan ahead and **"Be Prepared"** for any duties assigned to you by the SPL.

SPECIFIC LEADERSHIP RESPONSIBILITIES

Appoints the Assistant Patrol Leader.

Represents the Patrol on the Patrol Leader's Council.

Plans and steers patrol meetings.

Helps Scouts advance.

Meets **monthly** with the SPL (and Scoutmaster if requested) to evaluate the program, your responsibilities and the performance of your duties. Promptly assigns duties to patrol members.

Acts as chief recruiter of new Scouts.

Keeps patrol members informed using Scoutbook and at meetings.

Knows what his patrol members and others can do.

Set a good example for the other Scouts.

- Be the first to reflect the scout sign
- Maintain a positive and enthusiastic attitude.
- Exhibit good self-discipline.
- Have an excellent attendance record.
- Meet your obligations on time and with full effort.
- Have fun but not at the expense of everyone (Goofing off without purpose wastes time and loses the interest and respect of the other scouts).

RESOURCES AVAILABLE

Senior Patrol Leader

Other Junior Leaders

Assistant Scoutmaster

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Scoutmaster

Boy Scout Handbook, No. 33105

Junior Leader Handbook, No. 33500A

Fieldbook, No. 33104

Boy Scout Songbook, No. 33224

Boy Scout Requirements, No. 33215C

Worksheets from Scoutmaster's Junior Leader Training Kit, No. 34306

Boys' Life magazines

Troop and patrol rosters

Activity calendar (troop)

First Class—First Year Tracking Sheet, No. 34118A

Campfire Program Planner sheet, No. 33696

BSA Supply catalog

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Troop 420 Leadership Contract with _____
(neatly printed name)

Scout's Agreement

I have read the job requirements for the position of **Patrol Leader**. I understand the duties and responsibilities of this position, and I agree to carry them out to the best of my ability. I agree to lead by example, and I make these commitments to my fellow Scouts, the adult leaders, and myself. In addition, I will help other scouts whenever possible; be especially supportive of younger and less experienced scouts and will do my best to have fun while helping the scouts of Troop 420.

If I find that I am unable to meet this commitment, I will promptly ask to be removed from this position. I understand that I will receive FULL leadership credit if I follow the above stated commitments. I may not receive credit if the above commitments are not met.

I will do my best to uphold the duties of this position from _____ (start date) to _____ (estimated end date).

(Signature)

(date)

Approval

(Scoutmaster's Signature)

(date)

This scout has served in this leadership position through (Actual End Date): _____ (Scoutmaster's Initials) _____

Comments: