

Den Chief- Troop 420



GENERAL INFORMATION

Type: Appointed

Term: 6 months.

Reports to: Assistant Senior Patrol Leader

Description: The Den Chief works with the Cub Scouts, Webelos Scouts, and Den Leaders in a Cub Scout pack.

Comments: The Den Chief provides support to a Den or Pack through Scout skills and games. 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: 14 or older

Rank: 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 Scoutmaster and other adult leadership 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 Assistant 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 someone 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 ASPL.

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 at den meetings.

Is a friend to the boys in the Den.

Helps out at weekly den and monthly pack meetings.

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

Meets **monthly** with the ASM, Trail to First Class to keep him informed of activities and plans.

Provides the ASM, Trail to First Class and Webmaster a report **monthly** on the activities or needs of the Pack/Den (due 7 days after each PLC to be included in the Troop Newsletter).

Meets **monthly** with the ASM, Trail to First Class to evaluate the program, your responsibilities and the performance of your duties.

Sets 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

Junior Leader Handbook

Den Chief Handbook

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Cub Scout Handbooks
Boys Life Magazine
Scoutmaster
Cub Master
Den Leaders
Assistant Scoutmasters
Other Junior Leaders
Boys' Life magazines

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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 **Den Chief**. 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 and those of my Pack/Den.

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: