

# Patrol Leader

The Patrol Leader (PL) reports to the Senior Patrol Leader (SPL) or an Assistant Senior Patrol Leader (ASPL) and performs the following duties:



1. Appoints the Assistant Patrol Leader (APL).
2. Represents his Patrol at Patrol Leaders' Council (PLC) meetings.  
This involvement will include but will not be limited to the following;
  - a. Presents training needs of his Patrol.
  - b. Presents any patrol concerns.
  - c. Presents outing and event ideas.
  - d. Participates in discussions, planning, and execution of Troop outings and events.
  - e. Coordinates his Patrol's involvement in Troop outings and events.
  - f. Reports any decisions or assignments made at the Patrol Leaders Council meeting back to his Patrol.
3. Makes sure that his Patrol is prepared for upcoming Troop outings and events by ensuring the following are completed:
  - a. A completed Duty Roster for each outing.
  - b. A completed menu plan for each outing
  - c. A completed grocery list for each outing.
  - d. Patrol equipment received from the Troop Quartermaster is checked for completeness, cleanliness and state of repair.
  - e. Preparations for any "special" activities to be conducted on the outing are completed.
4. Encourages Patrol members to participate in all Troop/Patrol activities.
5. Plans and steers the Patrol meetings.
6. With the assigned Assistant Scoutmaster helps his Patrol plan and implement two patrol activities during his six month term. These may be overnight outings or day trips. Only one of these events may be a Patrol social event (e.g. Gathering at some ones home to play games). All patrol outings need to be approved by the assigned Assistant Scoutmaster and the Troop Scoutmaster.
7. Encourages his Patrol members to advance in rank and earn merit badges. He will assist them in these tasks either through personal involvement, by asking assistance from other Patrol Members or from the Troop's Instructors.
8. He will make sure that any new skills, rank advancements or merit badges earned are recorded on the Rank Advancement Spreadsheet.
9. Makes sure that attendance is taken for all Patrol activities.
10. Encourages the Patrol members to conduct themselves in a manner that reflects positively on their Patrol, the Troop and on the Boy Scout Program. This includes but is not limited to the following;

- a. Patrol members are wearing the proper uniform for the event in a correct manner.
  - b. Patrol members are applying the elements of the Scout Oath, Scout Law, Motto, and the Outdoor Code as they may apply to the current activity.
11. Lives by the Scout Oath, the Scout Law and shows Scout Spirit.
  12. Enthusiastically and correctly wears the Scout uniform.
  13. Sets a good example for others.
  14. Assists in training his replacement.

This position can be used to satisfy Position of Responsibility requirements for Star, Life and Eagle.

Qualifications:

1. Has attained the rank of 1<sup>st</sup> Class
2. Though not required, it is preferred that a Patrol Leader has previously served as an Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Quartermaster, Scribe, Historian, Librarian or Chaplain Aide
3. Has not previously held this position for 2 terms
4. Elected by members of the Patrol