

Troop Instructor

Job Description: The instructor teaches Scouting skills.

Reporting/Election: • Appointed by: Senior Patrol Leader in consultation with SM and ASMs • Reports to (Scout): Senior Patrol Leader • Works with (Adult): Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster for Advancement

Duties:

- Tracks the advancement of scouts committed to his charge and arranges for needed skill instruction.
- Provides skill instruction as needed.
- Tests Scouts on their advancement requirements as needed.
- Provides pre-boards of review for Tenderfoot, 2nd-class and first class scouts as needed.
- Sets a good example.
- Enthusiastically, consistently, and correctly wears the Scout uniform. • Lives by the Scout Oath and Law.
- Shows Scout Spirit.
- At the end of his term, passes all relevant records, material, information, and advice to the newly appointed Instructor or other appropriate individual.

Prerequisites:

- The Scout must at least be star rank; although this position is often filled by more senior Scouts who can meet the expectations listed below.
- Should have completed BSA junior leader training (JLT) course.
- Should have previously served as at least one of the following leadership positions: Patrol leader, Troop guide, SPL, or ASPL.

Expectations:

- If not satisfactorily performing his duties (as determined by Scoutmaster and Assistant scoutmasters) due to poor attendance or lack of attention to responsibilities, can lose his position and not receive credit for a "position of responsibility."
- Every scout is responsible to serve as an instructor when they have a skill that they can teach. However, a scout with the office of instructor is called upon to take a special leadership role in the context of instruction which goes beyond teaching simple skills at troop meetings. They are often called upon to track the advancement of younger scouts and to arrange for needed skill instruction and opportunities for scouts to demonstrate that they have learned skills required for advancement. Instructor can be called upon to take significant responsibility for the organization of merit badge classes and for instruction in those advanced classes.