

# Troop 346

## Leadership Position Description

# Troop Guide

### General Information

**Type:** Appointed by the Scoutmaster.

**Term:** 6 months

**Reports to:** Scoutmaster and Assistant Scoutmaster assigned to the New Scout Patrol.

**Description:** The Troop Guide works actively with new Scouts. The Troop Guide introduces new Scouts to troop operations, and helps them feel comfortable in the troop. He actively helps advancement from Scout through First Class.

**Comments:** The first year as a Boy Scout is a critical time with new places, new people, new rules and new activities. The Troop Guide is a friend to the new Scouts and makes the first year fun and successful. This is an important position.

### Qualifications

**Age:** 14 or older

**Rank:** Life or higher

**Experience:** none

### Performance Requirements

**Training:** Self-review of Scout Craft Skills. Meet with the past Troop Guide.

**Attendance:** Regular participation is expected at weekly troop meetings, patrol meetings, special events and campouts. Required to attend the Troop Leadership Committee meetings.

## Specific Leadership Responsibilities

- Introduces new Scouts to troop operations.
- Helps new Scouts earn advancement requirements through First Class, either by teaching the required skills or by setting up situations for them to learn the skills to meet the requirements. Assists any new Scouts who are struggling. Teaches basic Scout skills.
- Guides new Scouts through early troop experiences and activities to help them become comfortable in the troop and the outdoors. Counsels individual Scouts on Scouting challenges.
- Guides new Scouts to live by Scout Oath and Law.
- Helps new Scouts plan for all outings, including equipment lists, menu planning, etc.
- Assists patrol leader of the New Scout Patrol in their understanding of task delegation, and makes sure that all Patrol members carry their own weight.
- Coaches the patrol leader of the New Scout Patrol on his duties and responsibilities, and works with the patrol leader at Patrol meetings. Takes active part in supervising jobs by the patrol at campouts, activities, etc.
- Advises patrol leader of the New Scout Patrol on his duties and responsibilities at Troop Leadership Committee meetings.
- Attends Troop Leadership Committee meetings with the patrol leader of the New Scout Patrol.
- Prevents harassment of new Scouts by older Scouts.
- Assists the Assistant Scoutmaster in training the new Scouts with the help of the older Scouts.
- Works with younger Scouts to meet leadership and advancement goals.
- Assists with the next Troop Guide's transition.

## General Leadership Responsibilities

**Uniform:** Set the example by wearing your uniform correctly.

**Behavior:** Set a good 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 Scoutmaster or Senior Patrol Leader if you are not going to be at a meeting or if you suddenly have to miss an outing in which you're required to serve as a Troop Guide. You also need to make sure that someone will assume your responsibilities and is prepared.

## Personal Goals

In addition to the responsibilities listed above, set at least two personal goals for this position:

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Scout Signature & Date

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Assistant Scoutmaster Signature & Date