



# The Patrol Leader Responsibilities

**“The more responsibility the Scoutmaster gives his patrol leaders, the more they will respond.”**

~ Lord Robert Baden-Powell

**When you accepted the position of patrol leader, you agreed to provide service and leadership to your patrol and troop. No doubt you will take this responsibility seriously, but you will also find it fun and rewarding. As a patrol leader, you are expected to do the following:**

- ◆ **Plan and lead patrol meetings and activities.**
- ◆ **Keep patrol members informed.**
- ◆ **Assign each patrol member a specific duty**
- ◆ **Represent his patrol at all patrol leaders' council meetings and the annual program planning conference.**
- ◆ **Prepare the patrol to participate in all troop activities.**
- ◆ **Work with other troop leaders to make the troop run well.**
- ◆ **Know the abilities of each patrol member.**
- ◆ **Set a good example.**
- ◆ **Wear the Scout uniform correctly.**
- ◆ **Live by the Scout Oath and Law.**
- ◆ **Show and develop patrol spirit.**

**“The real Patrol Leader will...find that the requirements are not something separate from Scouting. On the contrary, Scouting is the Requirements. When you go hiking and camping the subjects contained in the requirements come up all the time. With plenty of Scouting work before them your boys simply cannot help advancing.”**

~ William Hillcourt, “Handbook for Patrol Leaders”,

