## Senior Patrol Leader

The troop is led by its elected Senior Patrol Leader(s) (SPL). He chairs the Patrol Leader Council and leads meetings and outings.

The SPL normally serves a six-month term.

The SPL works closely with the Scoutmaster and is focused on leading the PLC and Scouts of Troop 2.

If the SPL(s) are not performing their responsibilities adequately, the Scoutmaster will

* Communicate to the SPL(s) what is not going well.
* If the performance of the SPL(s) is not improved, the PLC may remove the SPL(s) and hold another election.

Scouts considering running for SPL should reflect on their Scouting performance, availability, and commitment. It is expected that a Troop 2 SPL demonstrate the following:

1. Consistently exhibits 12 points of Scout Law and is in good standing with the Troop and ALL of the Scout leaders.
2. Enthusiastic about

* Boy Scouts
* Being a leader
* Serving others
* Working with adult leaders and running meetings

1. Rank of Star or higher
2. Serious Eagle material

* The responsibilities of this position will not deter or distract this Scout from his own achievement.

1. Well respected by all within the Troop to be an outstanding Scout with leadership ability and potential.
2. Doesn't have to be reminded of responsibilities, guidelines, or proper behavior.
3. Good organization and follow through.

* Game plan for each Monday night, including organized activity planning, rank advancement opportunities, and/or Merit Badge work.
* Will call and/or email the Scoutmaster or other leaders at least once a week to confirm plans.
* Will provide a list to the Scoutmaster showing which youth and adult members have attended each activity the previous week.

1. Active and plan on remaining active in Troop 2.

* Attend most Monday night meetings, campouts, and activities.
* Communicates in advance with Scoutmaster, other leaders, and ASPL when activities are going to be missed.

1. Has demonstrated and continues to demonstrate maturity, Scout Spirit, and positive leadership in all situations, including previous term as Patrol Leader, ASPL, or Troop Guide.
2. Is calm and collected in the face of stress or adversity.
3. Wants the leadership position in order to serve the Troop.

* "Servant leadership"
* Is committed to the long-term success of Troop 2 and its members.

1. Will follow-through with “SPL Responsibilities” each week as outlined specifically by the Scoutmaster.
2. Will arrange for another scout (typically the ASPL) to fulfill his responsibilities when he cannot attend an event or meeting.

Troop 2 **SPL** Contract \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(neatly printed name) (months served)

As **Senior Patrol Leader** of Boy Scout Troop 2 in Colorado Springs, I agree to lead by example, and I make these commitments to my fellow Scouts, the adult leaders, and myself. I will:

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| EXPECTATION | VERIFICATION |
| Participate in Introduction to Leadership Skills for Troops (ILST) at the beginning of my term. | Date attended: |
| Report my activities and progress to the Scoutmaster at least once per month.  *(date & initial each)* | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Lead at least 80% of troop meetings. | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ attended = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% |
| Lead at least 80% of troop outings. | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ attended = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% |
| Lead at least 80% of PLC meetings | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ attended = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% |
| Have a game plan for each troop meeting, including organized activity planning, rank advancement opportunities, and/or Merit Badge work. | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Contact the Scoutmaster or other leaders at least once a week to confirm plans. Follow through with “SPL Responsibilities” each week as specifically outlined by the Scoutmaster. | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| Communicate in advance with Scoutmaster, other leaders, and ASPL when I must miss a Scout event. Arrange for another scout to fulfill my responsibilities when I cannot attend an outing or meeting. |  |

In addition, I will be on time and ready for meetings and Troop activities, conduct myself by the Scout Oath, Scout Law, Scout Motto and Scout Slogan, wear the proper uniform at Troop meetings and events, help other scouts whenever possible, be especially supportive of younger and less experienced scouts, and have fun and help other scouts have fun too!

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.

Start Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Expected End Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Scout’s Agreement**

I have read the job requirements for this position. I understand the duties and responsibilities of this position, and I agree to carry them out to the best of my ability. If I find that I am unable to meet this commitment, I will promptly ask to be removed from this position.

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(Signature) (date)

**Approval**

This scout has served in this leadership position through (Actual End Date)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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(Scoutmaster’s Signature) (date) Rev. 2012/09/09