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## Troop Guide

The SPL appoints one or more Troop Guides, subject to the Scoutmaster’s approval. Troop Guides work with the New Scouts Patrol. This position is equivalent to an ASPL. Troop Guides serve at the pleasure of the SPL, normally for one or more four -month terms.

**The Troop Guide should:**

* Be First Class rank or higher.
* Have good attendance and follow-through.
* Be patient and even tempered.
* Be enthusiastic
* Enjoy working with first year scouts

**The Troop Guide:**

* Introduces new Scouts to [troop](http://meritbadge.org/wiki/index.php/Troop) operations.
* Guides new Scouts from harassment by older Scouts. After Webelos crossover and before the troop attends summer camp, helps conduct annual youth YPT training for the troop.
* Helps new Scouts earn [First Class](http://meritbadge.org/wiki/index.php/First_Class) rank in their first year.
* Teaches basic Scout skills.
* Serves as Patrol leader of the new-Scout patrol (for first 4 months), planning activities for each meeting and activity.
* After the first 4 months of the new-Scout patrol, coaches the patrol leader of the new-Scout patrol on his duties, attends [patrol leaders’ council](http://meritbadge.org/wiki/index.php/Patrol_Leaders%27_Council) meetings with the [patrol leader](http://meritbadge.org/wiki/index.php/Patrol_Leader) of the new-Scout patrol,
* Works with the patrol leader (or APL) of the new-Scout patrol at patrol leaders’ council meetings.
* Arranges with the [assistant Scoutmaster](http://meritbadge.org/wiki/index.php/Assistant_Scoutmaster) for any training that the new-Scout patrol needs that cannot be provided by other scouts. The preference is for older scouts to provide training whenever possible, and for adult leaders to oversee the training as appropriate.
* Counsels individuals Scouts on Scouting challenges.

Troop 2 **Troop Guide** Contract \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(neatly printed name) (months served)

As **Troop Guide** 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, or complete training as specified by Scoutmaster. | Date attended: |
| Participate in at least 80% of troop meetings & outings | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ attended = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% |
| Participate in at least 80% of PLC meetings, showing first year scouts how the PLC works. | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ attended = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% |
| Plan patrol meetings and activities for new scout patrol (or help PL plan meetings), to help all scouts in the patrol make progress towards first class rank. Discuss plans for patrol time with the ASM prior to each meeting.  *(date & initial each month)* | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  |
| While PL, keep patrol members informed, contacting any patrol member who misses a patrol meeting, within 72 hours of the meeting. |  |
| Help conduct annual youth YPT training for the troop. |  |
| Each month while PL, provide SPL a list of unfinished rank requirements (for those not first class) for each patrol member. | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  |
| Tell the ASM and Patrol Leader (or APL) as soon as I know that I can’t make a meeting or event, and arrange for someone else to assume my responsibilities. |  |

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