

## **Positions of Responsibility (POR)**

### **Troop 1**

Scout Positions of Responsibility are roles within our troop that require accountability for tasks like planning meetings, leading activities, and managing resources. These roles - including Patrol Leaders, Assistant Patrol Leaders, Quartermasters, and Scribes - range from direct leadership to behind-the-scenes support, but all are critical to the troop's success. Scouts working toward Star, Life, and Eagle ranks will find these positions beneficial for demonstrating the commitment to leadership, accountability, and service that those ranks require.

### **These are the POR requirements to advance to Star, Life, and Eagle Ranks!**

First Class Scouts need 4 months POR to advance to Star.

Star Scouts need 6 months POR to advance to Life.

Life Scouts need 6 months POR to advance to Eagle.

### **Elected by Troop 1 Scouts in October and April:**

Senior Patrol Leader - the highest youth leadership position in a troop.

- Elected by the Troop in April and October
- Inaugurated in the spring and fall COH
- Morning summer camp meetings at HoNonWah / liaison between program staff and Troop 1 Scouts
- Leads opening and closing with his ASPLs
- Presents awards at the Court of Honor
- Sets a good example
- Wears the Scout uniform correctly
- Lives by the Scout Oath and Law
- Shows Scout spirit

### **Appointed by the newly elected SPL with Scoutmaster guidance:**

Three Assistant Senior Patrol Leaders - the second-highest youth leadership position in the troop.

- Helps the Senior Patrol Leader with meetings and activities
- Runs the troop in the absence of the Senior Patrol Leader
- Helps supervise the troop Scribe, Quartermaster
- Serves as a member of the patrol leaders' council
- Sets a good example
- Wears the Scout uniform correctly
- Lives by the Scout Oath and Law
- Shows Scout spirit
- Lends a hand in controlling the patrols and building patrol spirit

### Elected by Patrols in October and April:

1. Patrol Leaders
  - Keeps their patrol intact
  - Works together and shares responsibilities to get things done
  - Sets a good example for the members of their patrol and the rest of the Troop
2. Assistant Patrol Leaders
  - Does not count towards POR
  - Assists PL in his duties

### Appointed Positions:

These positions are ongoing needs. **Scouts** must approach adult leadership to request a position. Although PORs count for getting Star, Life, and Eagle ranks, any Scout in the Troop can hold these positions.

1. Quartermaster
  - Three types: Trailer, Scout Hut, Equipment
  - Work days to keep areas clean and tidy
  - They keep an inventory of troop equipment and see that the gear is in good condition in the Scout Hut and the Trailer.
  - Attends and reports at the Patrol Committee Meetings
2. Scribe - troop secretary
  - Takes roll each week
  - Assigns thank you notes
  - Assures notes are written, addressed, and mailed
3. Chaplain Aide - should be someone who goes on trips
  - Blessing at Crossover
  - Benediction and Invocation at Court of Honor
  - Coordinates campout church service with Scoutmaster

### Term for all Positions of Responsibility:

The term for all Positions of Responsibility expires the following April or May after a scout has been elected or appointed. If the Scout did not receive the full six months (four months for advancement to Star) required of their current rank, then it is their responsibility to make sure they have either been elected or appointed to serve in another leadership position to satisfy their rank advancement requirement.

### Additional Positions & More Info:

Other positions are also available at the discretion of the advancement coordinator. More information on POR's can be found at: <https://troopleader.scouting.org/.../troop-positions/>.