

Assistant Senior Patrol Leader (ASPL)

Second in command of the troop — and the SPL's training ground.

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OVERVIEW

The ASPL supports the SPL and steps in when the SPL is absent. This role is often held by a scout who is developing toward SPL, making it one of the best growth positions in the troop.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1 Support the SPL in all troop functions
- 2 Run meetings and activities when the SPL is absent
- 3 Help coordinate junior leader assignments
- 4 Assist with PLC preparation and follow-through
- 5 Mentor newer scouts and junior leaders

TIME COMMITMENT

2–4 hours/week

IDEAL FOR

An experienced Scout working toward senior leadership

WORKS WITH

Senior Patrol Leader

Scoutmaster

Patrol Leaders

TIPS FROM LEADERS WHO'VE DONE IT

You're the shadow — stay close to the SPL so you can step in seamlessly.

Take initiative on follow-up tasks from PLC without being asked.

Use this role to develop your own leadership style before you become SPL.