



SCOUTS AUSTRALIA
(Victorian Branch)



JOB DESCRIPTION FOR SECTION LEADER

1. PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1.1 Be responsible for the planning and running of exciting, challenging weekly and weekend programmes which attract new members and retain existing ones
- 1.2 Supervise and provide the instruction, assistance and testing of youth members in skills appropriate to the program of the section especially in topics and skills of the Award Scheme.
- 1.3 Enhance the physical, intellectual, social and spiritual and emotional growth and personal development of all youth members by ensuring their participation in interesting programs, the Award Scheme and taking up of appropriate Leadership opportunities.
- 1.4 Establish and maintain the operation of the Six /Patrol/ Office Bearer systems of youth leadership in the Section and instruct, guide and encourage them to undertake these responsibilities to ensure the effective functioning of the Section Council.
- 1.5 Promote the section's activities within the Group and into the local community.
- 1.6 Plan the progression of members into the next section through Group Council by developing an understanding of the operation of adjacent sections with the other Sections leaders
- 1.7 Establish and maintain friendly relationships with parents, involving them, where appropriate, in the activities and explain the principles and the reasons behind the Association programs.
- 1.8 Provide leadership to your Group Council, District Training and section program planning by regular attendance and contributing new ideas as a model to your Assistant Leaders
- 1.9 Allocate specific responsibilities all members of your team of Assistant Leaders and Youth Helpers and ensure they discharge their specific responsibilities in the various aspects of the section program so they grow and develop as an important member of the section Leadership team.
- 1.10 Contribute to the organization and management of District and Region run activities provided for the youth of your Section.

2. ACCOUNTABLE TO

- 2.1 Assistant Section Leaders to provide leadership in their training and development as leaders
- 2.2 Group Leader for the management of the section and its Youth members
- 2.3 District Section Leader for program delivery and standards, guidance and expertise

3. PERSONAL REQUIREMENTS

- 3.1 Enthusiasm and have a strong commitment to Scouting Principles and Program
- 3.2 Ability to communicate with and share leadership with other leaders and adults
- 3.3 Set a high standard of behaviour through personal example to youth & adult members.
- 3.4 Demonstrated understanding of the role and responsibilities of a Section Leader and a commitment to performing that role as a member of the Group and the District teams.
- 3.5 Be able to motivate, communicate and work effectively with your section youth members
- 3.6 Be prepared to complete Wood Badge Training within 1 year of appointment as Section Leader.