

APPLICATION TO BECOME A DEN CHIEF

I want to become a Den Chief. I would like to serve with Pack No. _____ and will do my best to attend weekly den meetings, monthly pack meetings, and other activities



I will do my best to be a good den chief.

Name: _____ Phone _____

Address: _____ City/Zip: _____

School: _____ Grade: _____

Religious Preference _____ Date: _____

Troop No. _____ Patrol No: _____ Post No: _____

I was a Cub Scout: Yes ___ No ___ If yes, give pack number & rank _____

APPROVAL OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN

We understand that our son's service as a den chief, although an important responsibility, will not be so demanding as to interfere with his troop or post activities. We are aware of the importance of his meeting with a neighborhood den once a week and with his pack one night a month. In view of the opportunities for leadership training and service that our son will have, we will encourage him to serve faithfully as a den chief.

_____ Date

_____ Signature of parent or guardian

RECOMMENDATION OF SCOUTMASTER OR ADVISOR

I gladly recommend _____ to serve as a den chief. I have talked with him about the responsibility of this office and have pointed out that serving as a den chief is a privilege and a challenge, and an opportunity to be a recruiter for Boy Scouting. If registered as a Boy Scout, he will become a warrant officer when accepted.

_____ Date

_____ Signature of Scoutmaster or Advisor

_____ Phone

PACK ACCEPTANCE

Scout _____ has been accepted by Pack # _____ to serve as Den Chief and is assigned to Den # _____ which meets

_____ Day

_____ Time

_____ Location

_____ Signature of Den Leader or Webelos Leader

_____ Signature of Cubmaster

RECOGNITION RECORD

Troops Leader's Warrant and Den Chief's shoulder patch presented at Troop Meeting on _____
Den Chief recognized at Pack meeting on _____

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A Scout wishing to be a den chief secures an application from his Scoutmaster who reviews the proper requirements with him. He takes the application home, secures his parents approval, and returns it to his Scoutmaster. The Scoutmaster approves the application and turns it over to the Cubmaster who then assigns him to a den. The application is to be kept on file by the Cubmaster.

WHAT IS A DEN CHIEF?

A den chief is a Boy Scout or an Explorer who is carefully selected by his Scoutmaster or Advisor, in cooperation with the Cubmaster. He may be of any age or rank. As a selected leader of younger boys, he has the opportunity to help them complete their Cub Scout or Webelos Scout advancement requirements and live up to Cub Scouting ideals in their everyday life.

THE DEN CHIEF'S RESPONSIBILITIES

Den leadership is a teamwork job. The responsibility for the den's operation rests with the Den Leader and the Den Chief. Each provides leadership, enthusiasm, and special abilities. As a Den Chief you will:

Meet with your Den Leaders to plan your part of the program for the den meetings. These meetings are held regularly at least once a month, or more often if needed.

Help lead the weekly den meeting. You should arrive on time in your uniform.

Share responsibility with the leaders of the den in all den activities. You should look to them for adult leadership and inspiration.

Assist with assigned den activities at the monthly pack meetings. Recognize the denner (a member chosen by his fellow den members) as your right-hand man by giving him opportunities to serve.

See that your den program does not include activities reserved for Boy Scouts.

Take part in all training opportunities so that you may become a better leader.

As a Den Chief, you will have a fine opportunity to develop leadership and build a good reputation for your Scout troop. In working with your Cub Scouts, you will prepare them, and give them the desire to become Boy Scouts. They will judge all Scouting by what they see in you.

DEN CHIEF'S SHOULDER CORD

As a badge of his office the Den Chief wears a den chief shoulder cord. It is worn on the left shoulder of his uniform. The cord is presented at a Den Chief installation ceremony in his troop or post. The Den Chief is also recognized in the pack meeting.

THE DEN CHIEF'S PLEDGE

I, < Name > , promise to help the Cub Scouts (or Webelos Scouts) in my den to the best of my ability, to encourage them in all pack and den activities, and to show them by my example what a Boy Scout is. I will strive to be prompt and dependable and to cooperate with the leaders in carrying out the den program. As each Cub Scout reaches 10 years of age, I will encourage him to join a Webelos den, and as he approaches 11, will do all in my power to interest him in becoming a Boy Scout.