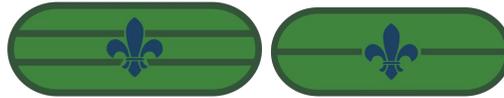




**Patrol Leader (PL) &
Assistant Patrol Leader (APL)**



**1st AFC Scouts
Standards**

- Prerequisite

- Must have completed:
 - **Religion in Life - Islam** badge (appropriate for his/her age)
 - **Voyageur** badge.
- Must offer 5 mandatory Daily prayers (written proof would be required, Prayers Log is attached for parents to sign).
- Maintained minimum of 90% attendance in troop meetings for the quarter.
- Completed 1 skill badges each month.
- Completed 4 steps of two different activity badges (Pathfinder, Chief Scout, etc).
- Skills

- Religion: Azan, Iqama, **Dua E Azan**,
- Knots: Reef knot, Clove Hitch (2) , Sheet Bend, Bowline (2), Double bowline,
- Lashing: Pole, Square, tripod,
- Signs and signals: Horseshoe, circle, patrol parallel line, Whistle (PL, Group)
- Sign language
 - Week 1 A-F, numbers: 1-5, Troop name
 - Week 2 G-L, numbers: 6-9, Patrol Name
 - Week 3 M-R
 - Week 4 S-Z

- Whistles Signals

- ● ● ● ● (many small (dot) whistles) **Whole troop gathering**
- ● ● ● _ (few small (dot) whistles) **PL call**
- _ ● ● ● **APL call**
- ● _ ● ● **SPL call**
- ● ● _ _ ● ● **Duty Patrol call**
- _ _ _ _ (one big long whistle) **Silent/attention/wait for instructions**
- ● _ ● _ ● _ ● _ **Danger**
- _ ● _ ● **Nothing, business as usual**
- _ _ ● _ **Food is ready**

HAND SIGNALS

□-P.L. 2-SECOND X-SCOUTS ♂-LEADERS DIRECTION



Freeze

Scouts acknowledge with same signal and wait further orders.



Come In

This signal is most used in field games to bring Scouts in to Leader.



Hurry Up

Clenched fist pumped up and down vigorously.



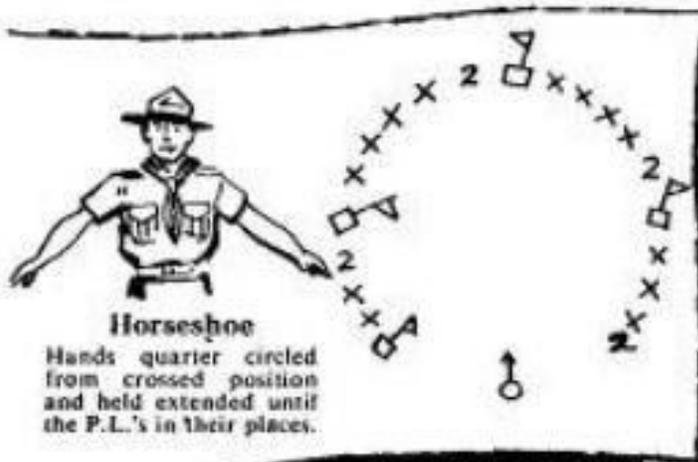
Squat

Open palm facing down, arm moved up and down.



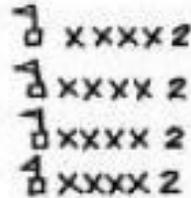
Stand Up

Open palm facing up, arm moved up.



Horseshoe

Hands quarter circled from crossed position and held extended until the P.L.'s in their places.



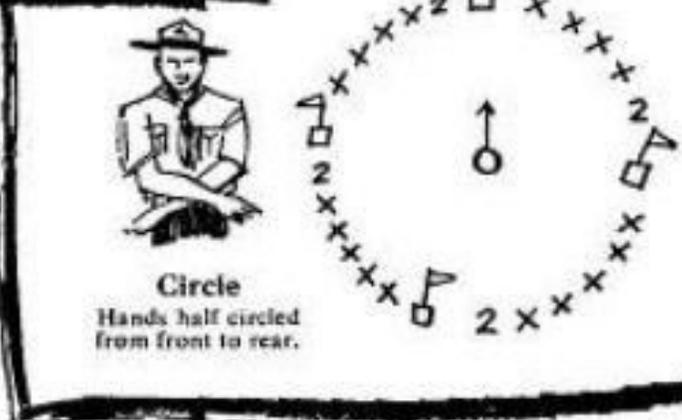
Close Column

Interval is one pace between Patrols.



Relay Formation

Two paces between Patrols.



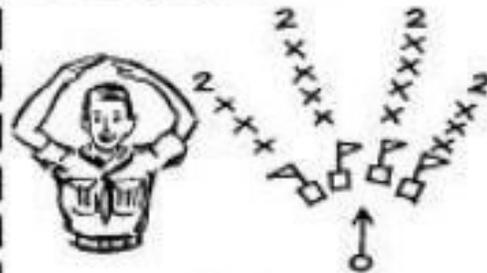
Circle

Hands half circled from front to rear.



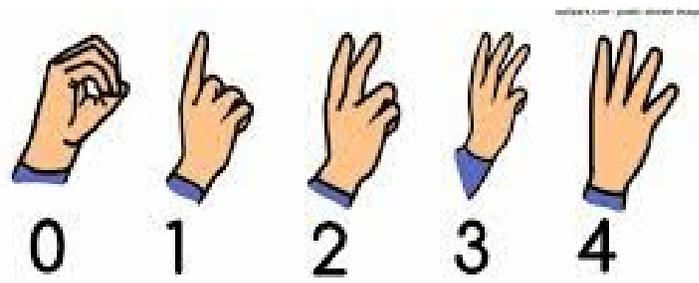
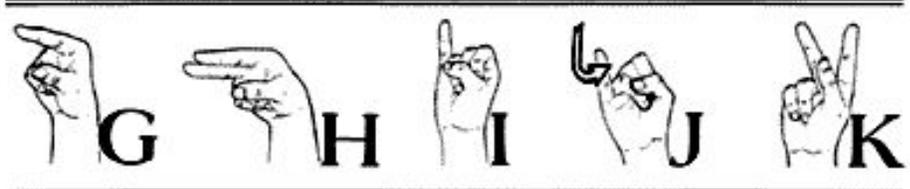
Line Abreast

Troop in one rank facing to or from the Scouter according to position of his palms.



Arrowhead

A good formation for chin-wags.





Family



mother



father



baby



sister



brother



son



daughter



grandma



grandpa



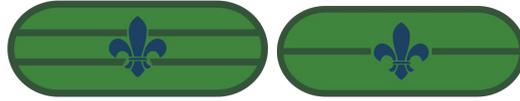
uncle



aunt



cousin



Role & Responsibility

When you accepted the position of **patrol leader**, you agreed to provide service and leadership to your patrol and troop. No doubt you will take this responsibility seriously, but you will also find it fun and rewarding. As a patrol leader, you are expected to do the following:

- Plan and lead patrol meetings and activities.
- Keep patrol members informed.
- Assign each patrol member a specific duty.
- Represent your patrol at all patrol leaders' council meetings and the annual program planning conference.
- Prepare the patrol to participate in all troop activities.
- Work with other troop leaders to make the troop run well.
- Know the abilities of each patrol member.
- Set a good example.
- Wear the Scout uniform correctly.
- Live by the Scout Oath and Law.
- Show and develop patrol spirit.
- Help patrol members to learn new skills like knots, lashing, planning, estimation,

Tips for Being a Good Patrol Leader

Keep Your Word. Don't make promises you can't keep

Be Fair to All. A good leader shows no favorites. Don't allow friendships to keep you from being fair to all members of your patrol. Know who likes to do what, and assign duties to patrol members by what they like to do

Be a Good Communicator. You don't need a commanding voice to be a good leader, but you must be willing to step out front with an effective "Let's go." A good leader knows how to get and give information so that everyone understands what's going on

Be Flexible. Everything doesn't always go as planned. Be prepared to shift to "plan B" when "plan A" doesn't work

Be Organized. The time you spend planning will be repaid many times over. At patrol meetings, record who agrees to do each task, and fill out the duty roster before going camping

Delegate. Some leaders assume that the job will not get done unless they do it themselves. Most people like to be challenged with a task. Empower your patrol members to do things they have never tried.

Set an Example. The most important thing you can do is lead by example. Whatever you do, your patrol members are likely to do the same. A cheerful attitude can keep everyone's spirits

Be Consistent. Nothing is more confusing than a leader who is one way one moment and another way a short time later. If your patrol knows what to expect from you, they will more likely respond positively to your leadership.

Give Praise. The best way to get credit is to give it away. Often a "Nice job" is all the praise necessary to make a Scout feel he is contributing to the efforts of the patrol

Ask for Help. Don't be embarrassed to ask for help. You have many resources at your disposal. When confronted with a situation you don't know how to handle, ask someone with more experience for some advice and direction.

Patrol Leader Resource:

Scout Canada: <http://www.scouts.ca/sites/default/files/patrol-leaders-handbook.pdf>

UK: <http://www.thedump.scoutscan.com/patrolleader.pdf>

BSA: <http://www.arconconsultinggroup.com/downloads/finance/Patrol%20Leader%20Handbook%2032502.pdf>

South Africa: http://www.firstpinelands.org/files/5413/6041/7900/Patrol_Leaders_Handbook.pdf

Advise: http://boyscouttrail.com/content/content/patrol_leader_advice-1507.as