

THE CHARTERED ORGANIZATION

Your troop is "owned" by a *chartered organization*, which receives a national charter yearly to use the Scouting program as a part of its youth work. These chartered organizations, which have goals compatible with those of the Boy Scouts of America, include religious, educational, civic, fraternal, business, labor, governmental bodies, and professional associations.

Each chartered organization using the Scouting program provides a meeting place, selects a Scoutmaster, appoints a troop committee of at least three adults, and chooses a chartered organization representative.

CHARTERED ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVE

Name _____

Address _____

Phone: (H) _____

(B) _____



- Is a member of the chartered organization
- Serves as head of "Scouting department" in the organization
- Secures a troop committee chair and encourages training
- Maintains a close liaison with the troop committee chair
- Helps recruit other adult leaders
- Serves as liaison between your troop and your organization
- Assists with unit rechartering
- Encourages service to the organization
- Is an active and involved member of the district committee
- Can multiple-register as a troop committee member



As the troop committee works on behalf of the chartered organization, your troop must be operated within the organization's policies.

The chartered organization must also approve all adult leaders. The chartered organization representative is your liaison to the troop's operating organization. As a member of the chartered organization, that person will guide you on the organization's policy. The representative will also know the most effective ways to get the organization's assistance and maintain a mutually satisfactory working relationship with the chartered organization.

In the chartered organization relationship, the Boy Scouts of America provides the program and support services, and the chartered organization provides the adult leadership and uses the program to accomplish its goals for youth.

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