

# LDS Scouting Positions

## Cubmaster Assistant Cubmaster

*Wherefore, now let every man learn his duty, and to act in the office in which he is appointed, in all diligence.* D&C 107:99

**The Purposes of Your Calling:** Through your ward-outlined Scouting Program, help the assigned young men in your ward ages 8, 9, and 10 achieve the purposes of LDS Cub Scouting.

### The Purposes of LDS Cub Scouting

- (1) Character development.
- (2) Spiritual Growth.
- (3) Good citizenship.
- (4) Sportsmanship and fitness.
- (5) Family understanding.
- (6) Respectful relations.
- (7) Personal achievement.
- (8) Friendly service.
- (9) Fun and adventure.
- (10) Preparation for Boy Scouting.
- (11) Preparing to receive the Aaronic Priesthood.

### Guidelines of Your Stewardship

- **Be a U.S. citizen at least 21 years of age**, of good moral character and interested in working with boys.
- Need not be an expert in all Cub Scout activities but should be a leader who is able to deal with adults as well as boys.
- Should be able to delegate responsibilities; set a good example by behavior, attitude, and uniform; and believe in the values and principles of Cub Scouting; a member of the chartered organization.
- Appointed by the bishop with the approval of the chartered organization and can be at the suggestion of the pack committee
- Register with the Boy Scouts of America as an adult leader.
- Wear a full Cub Scout leader uniform with appropriate insignia.
- Encourage all leaders and Cubs to wear the appropriate full uniform
- All Cub Scouts (Wolf, age 8, Bear, age 9, Webelos Scouts, age 10).
- Become trained with Cub Scout Fast Start, Cub Scout Basic Training and other annual training
- Get to know and become closely aware of all Cub Scouts in your ward.
- Conduct an activity-filled monthly pack meeting.
- Supervise a working advancement program with the goal being rank advancements and Arrow of Light, the highest Cub Scout rank available.
- Encourage the importance of earning the Arrow of Light before the boy turns 11.
- Implement the outlined Cub Scout program.
- Read and follow the manuals fully.
- Maintain the standards of the chartered organization and the BSA.
- Secure adult assistance and resources as needed through the pack committee and chartered organization (ward).
- Encourage parent involvement.
- Encourage *Boys' Life* subscription coming into the home of each Cub Scout and pack leader.
- BSA council and district activities.
- Maintain two-deep leadership at all activities.

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- Work closely with the Pack Committee Chair.
- **Rule One: KISMIF - Keep it simple, make it fun!**

The Cubmaster is the guiding hand behind the work of other pack leaders and serves as program advisor to the pack committee—a recruiter, a supervisor, a director, a planner, and a motivator of other leaders.

## **The responsibilities can be boiled down to the following:**

- Work directly with the Pack Trainer, Cub Scout Den Leaders, Webelos Den Leaders, Den Chiefs, and Pack Committee Chairman and members to make sure all dens are functioning well.
- Plan the den and pack programs with the help of other leaders.
- Lead the monthly pack meeting with the help of others. Involve all dens in some way.
- Coordinate the total Cub Scout program in the pack. Everything the Cubmaster does is aimed at helping the individual boy. Securing strong leaders, planning den and pack activities, advising other leaders and parents. These are all ways in which the Cubmaster affects the kind of Cub Scouting each boy in the pack is offered. Although this job is an executive position, the Cubmaster has direct influence on the lives of individual boys by keeping in mind that boys can be made better through Cub Scouting.

Every pack should have at least one Assistant Cubmaster. In most packs, two or three will be helpful, allowing the Cubmaster to divide the responsibilities. Assistant Cubmasters in leading the Pack and preparing for the Monthly Pack Meeting. This position is important to step in when the Cubmaster is unavailable.

## **Qualities you should develop:**

- Ability to work Cub Scouts, Cub Scout leaders, and Cub Scout families
- Delegation of responsibility
- Ability to organize time effectively
- Ability to develop leadership, team spirit, and follow the Cub Scout program as outlined
- A testimony and good relationship with the Lord

## **Meetings/Activities to attend:**

- Monthly pack leaders meeting
- Monthly pack meeting
- Monthly district Roundtable
- Monthly Key Scout Leaders meeting, if invited by CR
- Annual Pack Program Planning Conference
- Cub Scout Leader PowWow
- Other district and council activities
- General church meetings

**Average amount of time spent in your calling per week: 4-6 hours**

## **Handbooks and other literature helpful to fulfill your calling**

- Scouting Handbook (LDS)
- Cub Scout Leader Book;
- Cub Scout Program Helps (annual publication)
- Cub Scout Leader How-To Book
- Ceremonies for Dens and Packs
- Group Meeting Sparklers
- Cub Scout Fast Start Video AV01V022.