

**WEBELOS TROOP VISIT CHECKLIST**

Troop Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Visit: \_\_\_\_\_

Meeting Place: \_\_\_\_\_ Day and Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Scoutmaster's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Senior Patrol Leader's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of scouts in the troop: \_\_\_\_\_ How many were at this meeting: \_\_\_\_\_

My evaluation of the troop: (circle the answers)

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|---|-----|----|---------------|-----|----|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Are all the boys in full uniform?          | YES | NO | Uniform Rule? | YES | NO |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Was the meeting organized?                 | YES | NO |               |     |    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Is the meeting run by the boys?            | YES | NO |               |     |    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Do they have boys of all ages?             | YES | NO |               |     |    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Did I feel welcome?                        | YES | NO |               |     |    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Did their campouts sound like fun?         | YES | NO |               |     |    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Did their other activities sound like fun? | YES | NO |               |     |    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Do they have a calendar?                   | YES | NO |               |     |    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Do I already know boys in the troop?       | YES | NO |               |     |    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Are there too many adult leaders involved? | YES | NO |               |     |    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Were the older scouts helpful?             | YES | NO |               |     |    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Did they answer my questions?              | YES | NO |               |     |    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Is the Troop going to Summer Camp?         | YES | NO | Where:        |     |    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Do they do High Adventure activities?      | YES | NO | Any Planned:  |     |    |

MORE NOTES:

## PARENT/ADULT TROOP VISIT CHECKLIST

Troop Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Visit: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored by: \_\_\_\_\_ How Long: \_\_\_\_\_

Scoutmaster's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Meeting Place: \_\_\_\_\_ Day and Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Quality Unit:	YES	NO			
Meeting Run By:	Youth	Adults	Mixed		
Was the meeting organized:	YES	NO			
Does the troop have an active boy leadership corps:	YES	NO			
Does the troop produce a calendar of events:	YES	NO	Copy Provided:	YES	NO

How often do they meet: \_\_\_\_\_ How many boys in the leadership corps: \_\_\_\_\_

How is the boy leadership decided:      Elected by the boys      Appointed by the adults

How often does the troop hold elections: \_\_\_\_\_

How often does the troop camp: \_\_\_\_\_

What type of camping does the troop do? (check all that apply)

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|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Summer Camp    | <input type="checkbox"/> In Council | <input type="checkbox"/> Both | <input type="checkbox"/> Out of Council |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Winter Camp    | <input type="checkbox"/> In Council | <input type="checkbox"/> Both | <input type="checkbox"/> Out of Council |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Camporees      | <input type="checkbox"/> In Council | <input type="checkbox"/> Both | <input type="checkbox"/> Out of Council |
| <input type="checkbox"/> High Adventure | <input type="checkbox"/> In Council | <input type="checkbox"/> Both | <input type="checkbox"/> Out of Council |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Backpacking    | <input type="checkbox"/> In Council | <input type="checkbox"/> Both | <input type="checkbox"/> Out of Council |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canoeing       | <input type="checkbox"/> In Council | <input type="checkbox"/> Both | <input type="checkbox"/> Out of Council |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____    |                                     |                               |   |

Do all the boys get to go on all of the outings:

Are there any age or rank requirements:

Does the program schedule change from year to year or are the events the same:

Do campouts have a theme, merit badge or rank requirement focus:

What type of special events does the troop participate in (i.e. Scouting for Food, Scout Show, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

What are the uniform requirements of the troop:

Were the Scouts in full uniform:      YES      NO

Were the Scoutmasters in full uniform:      YES      NO

Are there any additional costs to join the troop:

Other Notes:

### GENERAL QUESTIONS TO ASK AT TROOP VISITS

1. How often has your troop achieve Quality Unit status in the last 5 years?
2. How are new scouts handled? Are they mixed in with existing patrols or put into a new patrol? Why?
3. How many registered leaders are there? What is their attendance history at regular meetings and on outings?
4. What is the boy-to-adult leader ratio at meetings and on outings?
5. Do you have an active outdoor program? How many days per year are spent camping? Where? What are the plans for summer camp?
6. What is your philosophy on uniforms?
7. How are new Scouts going to learn what to do as Boy Scouts (camping skills, patrol activities, advancement, etc.)? Will they have an experienced adult leader and older scouts working with them?
8. What is a typical Troop meeting like? Do you work on merit badges? Do you play a lot of games?
9. What is your philosophy regarding advancement (at what pace are the ranks earned)?
10. What kind of program do you have for older Scouts? Are there any High Adventure activities?
11. What kind of fundraising do you have?
12. What are the financial obligations for each Scout?
  - a. At sign-up
  - b. Per campout
  - c. Summer camp
  - d. Dues
  - e. Other
13. Do you pay for or subsidize training for the boys (Junior Leader Training, Den Chief Training, etc.)?
14. Does your Troop have a limitation on size?
15. Do you have written policies? Are they followed?
16. Is your Troop "Boy Run" or "Adult Run"? What is your philosophy about this?
17. Are Troop meetings and activities planned...
  - a. By the boys?
  - b. For a full year?
  - c. At a Patrol Leaders' Council?
18. What kind of equipment do you have? Is it in good shape? Do you have enough (quantity) if our Webelos were to join your Troop?
19. Are your Scouts able to balance Boy Scouts with other activities such as sports, band, church, etc.?
20. How active is your Troop at District and Council events?
21. Does the Troop have a good reputation in the community, District and Council?
22. How many current leaders are trained in...
  - a. Youth Protection?
  - b. Leader Specific (i.e. Scoutmaster Fundamentals, Committee, etc.)?
  - c. Wood Badge? (The highest training a Leader can achieve in Scouting.)
23. What are the expectations/requirements of new adults/parents to this Troop – as assistant leaders, committee members, special event chairpersons, event workers, merit badge counselors?
24. Does the Troop pay for any/all adult leader registration and training?
25. How many leaders routinely attend District Roundtable Training Meetings?
26. How do you feel about a Webelos Scout (and parent) visiting a troop meeting unannounced?
27. How many boys are registered in the troop? How many are active?