

 **Scout Group**

**Role description for Squirrel Scout Leader**

**Name:**

**Outline:** Manage and lead the Drey. In particular, the planning and delivery of the Section Programme with the support of the Drey leadership team. Some of the tasks of the Squirrel Scout Leader may be delegated to others in the Drey leadership team.

**Responsible to:** Group Scout Leader.

**Responsible for:** Young Leaders working in the Drey.

**Main Contacts:** Squirrel Scouts, parents/carers, other volunteers in the Squirrel Drey, volunteers in the Beaver Scout Colony, Cub Pack and Scout Troop, Group Scout Leader, Assistant District and County Commissioners (Squirrel Scouts), Squirrel Scout Cohort Coach, Young Leaders, Group Executive Committee members.

**Appointment requirements:** To successfully complete the appointment process (including acceptable DBS disclosure and acceptance of The Scout Association's policies).

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| Complete *Getting Started* training requirements within 5 months of appointment. Complete Wood Badge training within three years of appointment as well as ongoing safeguarding and safety training.

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| **Main tasks**  |
| **Manage the Delivery of a Balanced Programme by:*** Leading meetings to plan programmes and activities.
* Ensuring the programme is exciting and stimulating, taking into account the needs, interests and abilities of the Squirrel Scouts.
* Ensuring the programme is delivered safely in accordance with Scout Association rules.
* Promoting the achievement of awards, particularly The Chief Scout’s Acorn Award,
* Working with other adults in the Group to support and promote joint activities with the Beaver Colony, Cub Pack and Scout Troop.
* Ensuring there are regular opportunities for the Squirrel Scouts to express their views and provide input to the Drey programme.
* Co-operate with Beaver Leaders to ensure successful transfer of Squirrels to the Beaver Colony by means of the Moving On Award.
* Maintaining good behaviour within the Drey.
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| **Manage the Operation of The Squirrel Drey, with the Drey Leadership Team by:*** Working with the Group Scout Leader and Executive Committee to promote recruitment and induction of new volunteers in appropriate roles for the Drey.
* Ensuring accurate records are kept of the Squirrel Scouts and their progress, and that these are passed to the Beaver Colony when the Squirrels complete Moving On. (In accordance with GDPR regulations).
* Reviewing the operation of the Drey regularly.
* Making good relationships with parents / carers and promote their involvement in helping the Drey, e.g parents rotas.
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| **Wider responsibilities within the Scout Group:*** Follow the Group’s financial procedures, which must be in accordance with Scout Association rules
* Attend and contribute to relevant Group and District meetings.
* Attend meetings as required with the Cohort Coach
* Promote Scouting and The Scout Group to the wider community.
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| **Other tasks which may be agreed with the Group Scout Leader** |
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