



District Commissioner

DCs are appointed to help the Council Commissioner (CC) and Scout Executive (SE) in providing support to the Assistant District Commissioners (ADCs) and Unit Commissioners (UCs) serving in the District. The DC should keep informed on policy, programs, delivery systems and procedures necessary for a successful Scouting program. Major responsibilities include:

- Supervise the activities of the commissioner staff, preside at District wide meetings of Assistant District Commissioners, and conduct Commissioner Conferences.
- Be concerned with proper recognition of unit-leaders. Maintain their morale, periodically reporting unit conditions to the Council Commissioner.
- Help the Assistant District Commissioners and Unit Commissioners to maintain a good working relationship with related District Directors (DDs) and District Executives (DEs).
- Maintain the standards of the Boy Scouts of America, uphold national policies, promote good uniforming, and lead effort to hold regular roundtable programs in the District.
- Recruiting Assistant District Commissioners to serve each as managers in each of the District's Service areas and supervising the recruitment of Unit Commissioners for each unit in the District.
- Conduct personal coaching and orientation sessions for ADCs. Each ADC should have completed Commissioner Basic Training and be participating in advanced training. The DC is responsible for maintaining a record of the training completed by each all members of the Commissioner staff. Attendance at the College of Commissioner Science is expected of all ADCs and UCs who have not completed their doctorate. Wood Badge attendance is encouraged.
- Maintain regular contact with Assistant District Commissioners and Unit Commissioners to know unit needs. Telephone communication with each ADC is expected every two weeks. Meetings of the Commissioner staff should take place at least once a month.
- Report to the Council Commissioner on the needs and status of units in the District monthly. Significant happenings in District units should be reported by telephone as they happen.
- Assure that all units in the District recharter on time and that all appropriate recognitions are applied for. These recognitions include Quality Unit, National Camping Award, Outstanding Unit and other awards.

- Communicate information concerning the Scouting program and its changes to the units in the District. Help the units in the District to receive help in correcting problems that they may confront.
- Be familiar with the community in the District. Suggest areas that would benefit from the establishment of a new Pack, Troop, Team, or Post. Inform the District Committee of this need. Assist the District Membership Committee in establishing new units by appointing persons to serve on New Unit Organizing Teams. Ideally, these persons will serve as their units' first Unit Commissioner.
- Be a voice and presence for Scouting in the District while seeking ways to involve the Council Commissioner and other Council and District leaders in the District.
- Attend Council Commissioner meetings monthly. On those occasions when it is impossible to attend, designate a representative to attend the meeting in your place.