



## ***Troop 29 “Active” Policy***

For a Scout to advance in rank, a Scout must be a Member in Good Standing with the Troop. To be a Member in Good Standing, the Scout should be active in the Troop as defined in the Troop Participation guidelines. For the majority of scouts on the path toward Eagle these requirements should be of little concern since they will already be participating at a high level with the troop.

If, since the Scout’s last rank advancement, the Scout’s participation level has fallen below 50% of the Troop Participation guidelines, then the Scout should increase his participation level to bring his overall participation level to at least 50% of the Troop’s participation guideline since his last rank advancement before he will be considered a Member in Good Standing.

**Note:** For the rank of Star, Life and Eagle (4 months for Star, and 6 months for Life, and 6 months for Eagle) to fulfill the "Active Participation" requirement for the rank, the Scout should be active at the Troop Active Participation Guideline level i.e., **50% of Outings**, **2/3rds of Meetings**, and **50% of Other Activities**.

**Example:** It has been 24 months since the Scout’s last rank advancement and during that period of time there have been 22 outings, 72 meetings, and 30 activities, for the Scout to have met the Troop’s Active Participation Guideline (50% of Outings, 2/3rds of Meetings, and 50% of Other Activities), he should have attended at least 11 Outings, 48 Meetings, and 15 Troop Activities. However, if the Scout’s participation level has fallen below 50% of the Troop guideline i.e., fewer than 25% of Outings (<6), fewer than 1/3rd of Meetings (<24), and fewer than 25% of Other Activities (<8), then he should bring his participation up to the minimum before being considered a Member in Good Standing and being eligible for advancement to the next rank.

**Example:** If a Scout turns Life and then is active for the next 6 months at the Troop Participation Guideline level (50% of Outings, 2/3rds of Meetings, and 50% of Activities), then during that 6-month period he will have attended at least 3 Outings. If it is **2 years from the time the Scout turned Life until the Scout is ready to advance to the rank of Eagle**, then over that 2 year period there will be about 22 Outings. At the 25% Outing participation level, that means that in addition to the 3 Outings that he attended to fulfill the "6 months active" requirements for Eagle, he should attend 3 additional outings in that 18 month period – or **ONE OUTING EVERY 6 MONTHS**.

**Example:** If a Scout turns Life and then is active for the next 6 months at the Troop Participation Guideline level (50% of Outings, 2/3rds of Meetings, and 50% of Activities), then during that 6-month period he will have attended at least 3 Outings. If it is **3 years from the time the Scout turned Life until the Scout is ready to advance to the rank of Eagle**, then over that 3 year period there will be about 33 Outings. At the 25% Outing participation level, that means that in addition to the 3 Outings that he attended to fulfill the "6 months active" requirements for Eagle, he should attend 6 additional outings in that 30 month period – or **ONE OUTING EVERY 5 MONTHS**.

## ***Policy Effectivity: February 2019***

This policy will be not go into effect for all scouts at the same time but will be phased in with each new advancement which takes place beginning in February of 2019. All scouts who advance in rank from February 2019 will be under this definition of active in Troop 29.

**Example:** If a scout is Star rank and earns Life in February 2019 or later he will be considered under these rules pertaining to the definition of active beginning in the month he earns Life.

**Example:** If a scout is a Life scout as of January 2019 or earlier these rules pertaining to being active will not apply since he will not be advancing before reaching Eagle after February 2019.