



Help develop well-rounded youth, better prepared for success in the world.

Finding Local Support Scouters to Ensure Safety Ratio

Are you short a Scouter for an upcoming meeting, camp, or event?

Did your co-Scouter message you last minute stating that they are sick or there is a personal emergency, and they won't be able to make the meeting?

What To Do:

- Have a plan in place before the need arises so you know exactly who to contact.
- Know who to get a hold of for back-up support whether it is for an upcoming event or a last-minute meeting cancellation.
- Have a conversation with your Group Commission to find out what options are available to you.
- Your Group may have resource Scouters on-call to come and assist.
- You could ask a Scouter in your Group from a different Section.
- Contact your Scouting Relationship Manager (SRM) or Council Relationship Manager (CRM)/Council Key 3 Team (CK3) or local Group Support Scouter.
- Contact your local Gilwell Group or B-P Guild Group as they sometimes have Scouters at large ready and willing to jump in to support a meeting or two.
- **IMPORTANT REMINDER:** If you have made attempts and have exhausted all options and are still unable to make the required Scouter safety ratio, you are empowered to give as much notice as possible to affected Scouting youth and family members and make the call to **CANCEL** the meeting/event. Be sure to make contact with each youth family (ideally by phone) and put up signage at the meeting hall/event location for anyone who may miss the message.

Thank you for all you do to keep your Section meetings, events and activities running safely and on time where possible!