

Description of the Mariner Sea Scout Chain of Command

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This is the chain of command.

There is one Boatswain to whom 3 Boatswain's Mates and two Crew Leaders report.

There are eight crew leaders, two of whom report directly to the Boatswain. The other six report to a Boatswain's Mate.

All of the rest of the Mariner Youth are in a crew reporting to one of the eight crew leaders.

Staff Positions not in the Chain of Command

The yeoman, storekeepers and pogy master are in staff positions. They perform specific tasks relative to the needs of the Boatswain and the Ship. In no way, should the carrying out of their functions be allowed to interfere with the chain of command.

Adult Supervision

The Mariner Sea Scout Program is a program carefully structured in keeping with the guidelines of the BSA to be run by the youth. Adults perform the support functions of promoting safety and fairness, supervising the administration of discipline, testing, procuring and maintaining equipment, handling the finances and teaching. To the extent possible, adults in dealing with the youth are advisors. Each youth in the program has at least one advisor. Some have several advisors.

Points

Individual: Ultimately, each individual has the responsibility of attaining his/her points

Crew Leader: Each crew leader has the responsibility to motivate the members of his/her crew to attain the necessary points. The crew leader also has the responsibility to plan training and testing for the members of the crew.

Team Advisor: The Team Advisor has the responsibility to advise the Team Boatswain, the Crew Leaders and the members of the Crews and provide for adult testing of the Team.

Pogey Master: The Pogey Master has the responsibility to provide training and arrange for adult testing of the Pogeys as directed by the Boatswain, the Boatswain's Mates and the Crew Leaders. Once the pogeys join a crew, the Crew Leader assumes all responsibility for the Pogeys in his/her crew. This is not to say that a crew leader may not call upon a pogey master to continue the training of a pogey.

Team Boatswain: Each team boatswain has the responsibility to motivate the members of his/her team to attain the necessary points.