VOLUNTEER LEADER
TELEPHONE REFERENCE CHECK

This telephone reference check form should be used to check references of all volunteer applicants with whom the unit committee is not completely familiar. The applicant’s signature on the adult leader application gives you permission to check references. Submit completed form with the Adult Leader Application. Use back of form if more space is needed.

Name of Applicant:  ______________________________________ Date:  _____________________________

Contact Made With (Reference Name):

This is (Your Name). I’m with Pack/Troop/Team/Crew/Post of the Boy Scouts of America. (Applicant’s Name) has applied to serve as a volunteer leader in Scouting and given us your name as a character reference. (Applicant’s Name) has given us written permission to contact you. Would you mind answering a few questions about (Applicant’s Name)? If “no”, ask, “Can you tell me why?”

1. How long have you known the applicant? _______________________________________________

2. How do you know the applicant? _______________________________________________________

3. Are you aware if this person has been kicked out of any organization for any reason? _____ YES _____ NO. If yes, explain __________________________________________________________

4. Do you know of anything that would affect his/her leadership of youth? (Such as drug use, alcohol abuse, child abuse, immaturity, anger problems) __________________________________________________________

5. Are you aware if this individual has a criminal record or ever been in trouble with authorities? _____ YES (please explain) _____ NO

6. Do you know of any reason that this individual should not be in a leadership position with youth? _____ YES (please explain) _____ NO

7. Would you entrust the care of your child to the applicant? _____ NO (please explain) _____ YES

8. Do you know of any reason this person should not serve as a role model for children? _____ YES (please explain) _____ NO

Thank you very much for your willingness to visit with me about (name of applicant). The Boy Scouts of America is relentless in our commitment to find only the best adults to work with our children. If you think of anything additional that you feel I should know about the applicant, please call the Boy Scouts.

Reference check made by:  Name:  _______________________ Date:  ________ Phone:  __________________