TROOP 524 ELECTION PROCESS
(as voted on and approved by the PLC on 11/19/99)

I. TROOP ELECTIONS

A. TROOP NOMINATIONS
To run for an elected office, each individual must sign up prior to the night the elections will be held. Nomination sheets will be available for at least two meetings prior. Candidates may be nominated by someone else, but they must sign the nomination sheet to indicate the acceptance of the nomination. Individuals may nominate themselves.

B. TROOP ELECTION PROCESS
Offices will be elected in the following order: Senior Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leaders, Librarian, Historian, and Scribe. (Note that later in the meeting the patrols will meet to elect their officers.) The process will be run by the election committee, which is made up of older boys from the troop who are not running for any office, under the direction of the Scoutmaster.
The following steps are followed for each office:
1. Office responsibilities are read by a representative of the election committee.
2. Candidates give a two-minute-maximum speech stating name, rank, current office in troop, what they plan to do for the troop during their term in office. (Note that campaigning is allowed but there are to be no gifts or giveaways, such as candy.)
3. Each scout votes on one ballot. Ballots are collected and tallied by the election committee. Election results are announced by a representative of the election committee.

C. TROOP POSITION REQUIREMENTS/LIMITS
There is a maximum of a two term limit for the five elected positions, these terms may or may not be consecutive. Additional requirements/limits are as follows:
1. Senior Patrol Leader
   - Must have served a full term as Assistant Senior Patrol Leader.
   - Must be a minimum of Star Rank.
   - May not hold another position (elected or appointed) during their term of office.
2. Assistant Senior Patrol Leader
   - Must have served a full term as Patrol Leader, Assistant Patrol Leader, or Scribe.
   - Must be a minimum of First Class Rank.
   - May not hold another position (elected or appointed) during their term of office.

II. PATROL ELECTIONS
The following is the recommended patrol election process. Any deviation from this process must be approved by the Patrol Advisor or Scoutmaster.

A. PATROL NOMINATIONS
To run for an elected office, each individual must sign up prior to the night the elections will be held. Nomination sheets will be available for at least two meetings prior. Candidates may be nominated by someone else, but they must sign the nomination sheet to indicate the acceptance of the nomination. Individuals may nominate themselves.

B. PATROL ELECTION PROCESS
Offices will be elected in the following order: Patrol Leader and Assistant Senior Patrol Leader. The process will be run by the patrol advisor.
The following steps are followed for each office:
1. Office responsibilities are read by the patrol advisor.
2. Candidates give a two-minute-maximum speech stating name, rank, current office in troop and/or patrol, what they plan to do for the patrol during their term in office. (Note that campaigning is allowed but there are to be no gifts or giveaways, such as candy.)
3. Each scout votes on one ballot. Candidates cannot vote for themselves. Ballots are collected, tallied and results announced by the patrol advisor.

C. PATROL POSITION LIMITS
There is a limit of two consecutive terms for each of the three elected positions. There is no maximum number of terms.