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# **Administration of Commissioner Service**

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# **Volunteer – Professional Relationships**

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# ***Introduction***

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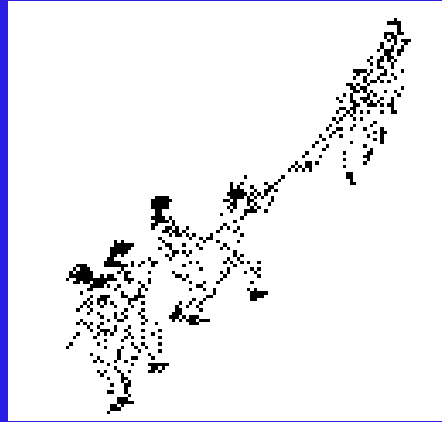
**Volunteer – professional relationship special  
hallmark of BSA**

**Core of BSA success**

**Both share responsibility for good working  
relationships**

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**What is evidence of a good relationship?**



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***Good volunteer-professional relationships are characterized by mutual trust, mutual respect, and mutual recognition of each other's role and competency.***

# ***Mutual Dependence***

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**Common goal — quality program for youth**

**Interdependent**

**Too much work to be done by professionals**

**Professionals provide coaching / experience**

**Seek each other's counsel**

**Professionals work *with* volunteers**

**Should be friends**

# ***Differences / Similarities***

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## **Differences**

**Professional — full time, more experience**

**Volunteer — part time, experience limited**

## **Similarities**

**Dedicated to principles of Scouting**

**Desire quality program for kids**

***Tip #1 Get Off on Right Foot***

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# ***Tip #2 Be Communicat-able***

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# ***Tip #3 Help Create Foundation for Success***

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# ***Tip #4 Preserve the Most Valuable Resource***

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# ***Tip #5 No Macho Martyrs***

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# ***Tip #6 World Brotherhood Starts Locally***

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# ***Tip #7 Acknowledge the Whole Person***

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# ***Tip #8 Introduce Other Members of Your Personal Team***

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# ***Tip #9 Practice What You Preach***

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***Tip #10 Tag Team, Don't Overlap***

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# Questions?

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