

Section Ratios - March 2016 Launch



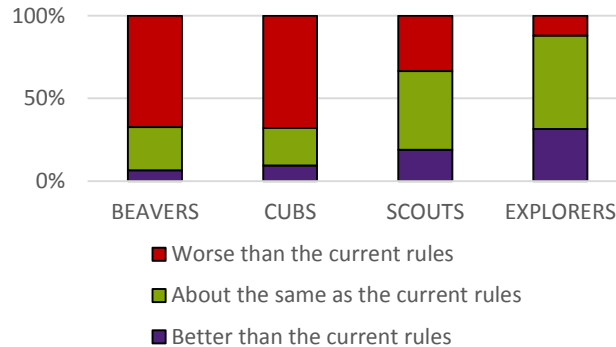
Common pieces of feedback

- The term 'recommended' was unclear in the rules.
- The Beaver and Cub proposal requires too many leaders for an evening at the usual meeting place.
- Proposal would lead to overcrowding.
- Proposals add clarity to POR.
- Guidance on peer led activities is required.

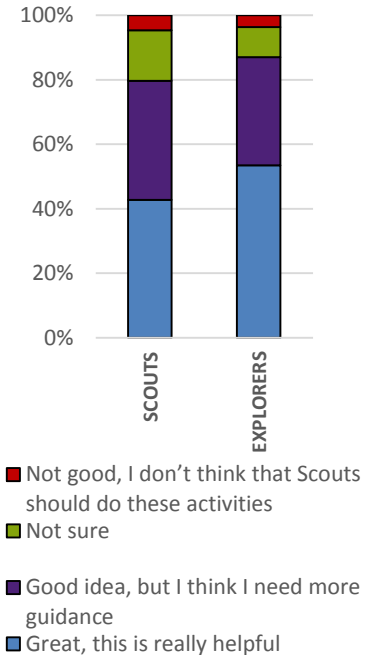


Members were engaged to ask for feedback on proposed changes to POR and the inclusion of peer led activities.

Opinions on POR proposal



Opinions on Peer Led Activities in POR



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Responses
via YPYV



CHANGES:

- Updated POR rules 3.7, 3.8, 3.9 and 4.7 in order to clarify and enhance the rules on adult to young people ratios in Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and Explorers.
- Guidance has been created to support the inclusion of Peer Led Activities in POR.
- The word 'recommended' had been removed and instead the amendments are based on absolute minimums with rules 3.7g (Beavers), 3.8g (Cubs), 3.9g (Scouts) and 4.7j (Explorers) now allowing for flexibility in exceptional circumstances.



UKHQ have received consistent feedback and questions from the movement as the Section Ratio rules are not clear and require interpretation.

A proposal for rule changes was included in Junes Your Programme Your Voice.

Feedback from the movement was that the proposal required too many leaders for Beavers and Cubs at regular indoor meetings.

Pre-Launch checks on new POR rules prior to a March launch.

In January 2016, Operations Committee approved the changes to POR. The proposal was supported with guidance to support the inclusion of Peer Led Activities in POR.

This feedback was taken on board and a new proposal was sent to Operations Committee in October 2015. Operations Committee pushed back the proposal and asked for it to be sent back in January with amendments.

	Current rules		Proposed rules	
Section	Regular indoor section meeting (must)	Outdoor activities away from the usual meeting place (recommended)	Regular indoor section meeting held in the usual meeting place (must)	All other section activities (must)
Beavers	Minimum 2 adults present	1 adult to 6 Beavers, plus the leader in charge	Minimum 2 adults present	1 adult to 6 Beavers, plus the leader in charge
Cubs	Minimum 2 adults present	1 adult to 8 Cubs, plus the leader in charge	Minimum 2 adults present	1 adult to 8 Cubs, plus the leader in charge
Scouts	Minimum 2 adults present	1 adult to 12 Scouts, including the leader in charge	Minimum 2 adults present	For 12 Scouts or fewer: minimum 2 adults present For 13 Scouts or more: 1 adult to 12 Scouts, including the leader in charge
Explorers	Minimum 2 adults present	No minimum ratio	Minimum 2 adults present	Minimum 2 adults present

	Minimum number of adults required for:		
Section	Example section size	Regular indoor section meeting in the usual meeting place	All other section activities
Beavers	16	2	4
Cubs	19	2	4
Scouts	25	2	3
Explorers	22	2	2



FAQs

Why are we using an infographic to feedback information?

We want members to be honest in their feedback, and so we treat it with confidence, meaning we won't release full statements, or the raw data. The infographic is aimed at giving everyone an overview of the following things:

- How many permit holders and assessors we have for the activity
- The feedback members gave, especially trends and consensus
- How we have acted on the feedback.

Why does the feedback not match the actions sometimes?

Sometimes for safety reasons, or because of other advice we've received, the feedback from members and actions do not match perfectly. When this is the case we have created a separate graphic to explain the process and reasons for the actions ultimately agreed upon.

I want to make a suggestion on how to improve communications of activities reviews/this infographic, how can I do this?

Send an email to activities@scouts.org.uk – we are looking for solutions so please include specifics about how, when and what you would like communicated. Make the subject line: 'Review communications' so that it gets to the right person.