

Camping Consultant Job Description

Purpose: The camping consultant is appointed by the service unit manager in consultation with the field director. She/he works directly with leaders and the program coordinator. The camping consultant receives her/his training and technical assistance from the Camping Department and has a working relationship with this department during the year.

The camping consultant is a year-round resource and promoter of camping for Girl Scouts in the local community. It is her/his responsibility to keep everyone, particularly troop personnel, informed of the opportunities for troops, individual girls, adult leaders and Girl Scout families and to make use of council camping facilities and services that are a benefit of Girl Scout membership.

Accountabilities:

- Promote out-of-doors program at Leader Meetings. Use council publications- flyers, newsletters, camp catalogs/brochures or program events and trainings that relate to out-of-doors.
- Promote outdoor activities for troops/groups to do in the community and outdoor opportunities available council-wide. (i.e. troop camping programs, special age-level events, summer day and overnight camping)
- Follow up with leaders/advisors after their completion of basic leader outdoor day training and encourage them to register or troop camp training and any outdoor related trainings available.
- Assist with own service unit's sponsored community camping weekend(s). Coordinate weekend if possible.
- Distribute troop camp flyers and summer camp catalogs as needed. Provide technical assistance for online copies.
- Help to recruit staff for summer day and overnight camps.
- Create a Camping Task Force (or similar) and delegate some camping consultant tasks by utilizing older girls, counselors-in-training, program aides, leaders-in-training and enthusiastic adults who reside in the community, are avid campers, and are eager to help promote camp in their community.
- Promote camp open houses at parent/guardian, leader and service unit meetings, as well as outside events (libraries, etc.).
- Adhere to and promote national and council policies, standards, and procedures.
- Other duties as related to job.

Qualifications:

- Is currently a registered Girl Scout adult member.
- Able to communicate enthusiasm for outdoor activities to volunteers, girls and parents.
- Has interest in and knowledge about national age-level program design and emphases, and about GSRI camping program; including troop, overnight, day and special camp programs, facilities and procedures.
- Willing to attend council, service team and leader meetings as scheduled.
- A willingness to invest time needed to assume certain tasks necessary to plan and carry out the camping program year-round.
- Willingness to invest time needed for training and to do the job to the best of one's abilities.
- Ability to effectively relate and communicate with girls and adults of diverse backgrounds to encourage outdoor experiences for all.