

**Responsibilities of the
Outdoor Skills Director**

The Outdoor Skills Director is responsible to the Program Director for the effective instruction of specialized campcraft skills and of any merit badges assigned by the Program Director. The Outdoor Skills Director must possess organizational and managerial skills, creativity and originality, and a desire to work with youth of Boy Scout age.

The Outdoor Skills Director must:

1. Be at least 18 years old
2. Possess or be willing to obtain a current registration in the Boy Scouts of America
3. Have a strong Boy Scouting background
4. Possess a Valid National Camping School Certification.

The Outdoor Skills Director is further encouraged to obtain a certification in American Red Cross Standard First Aid or its equivalent.

The Outdoor Skills Director is further responsible for:

1. Setting up an area to which Scouts and Leaders may come for instruction in the following skills and their related merit badges:
 - a) Camping
 - b) Hiking
 - c) Orienteering
 - d) Pioneering
 - e) Safety
 - f) Wilderness Survival
 - g) Pioneering
 - h) Cooking
2. Training and supervising the work of the Outdoor Skills Staff.
3. Making available and encouraging troops, patrols, and older Scouts to participate in special activities at the Outdoor Skills area.
4. Helping unit leaders to become aware of the Outdoor Skills program possibilities available both in and out of Camp.
5. Maintaining up-to-date and accurate inventories of all equipment used in the Outdoor Skills program
6. Providing advancement opportunities for those Scouts working on the ranks of Tenderfoot through First Class as directed by the Program Director.
7. Ensuring the counselors-in-training assigned to the Outdoor Skills area receive meaningful and relevant experiences.
8. Turning in records of merit badge participation and badge completion to the Program Director by 9:00p.m. each Friday.
9. Assisting in the general Camp program in any way possible, and completing any assignments given by the Program Director or the Camp Director.
10. Working to maintain the morale of other Staff members assigned to the Outdoor Skills area.
11. Writing a report on the Outdoor Skills Program and turning it in to the Program Director before leaving Camp. This report should document the extent of use of the program and suggestions for improvements.
12. Abiding by the Camp rules set forth in the *Staff Understandings/Policies* and the *Staff Guide*.