

CMC Denver Group Trip Leader Application

Thank you for applying to be a CMC Denver Trip Leader. The Denver Safety and Leadership Committee (DS&L) is responsible for training and certifying leaders and accident/incident investigation. The Leader Certification Coordinator will review your completed application.

Please complete this application and email it along with your LIT evaluation form to: cmctripleader@gmail.com. Please do not send it to Membership Services.

Trip leader candidates must complete one Leader-in-Training (LIT) trip with an Instructor Leader (IL) who is unrelated to the applicant. A snowshoe trip may substitute for the hike. It is recommended but not mandatory that the LIT be at the highest classification level the candidate wishes to lead. The LIT trip should focus more on group dynamics than on trip difficulty. Finally, the LIT trip must have a minimum of 6 participants – the LIT, the IL and at least 4 other participants.

Effective beginning 12/31/17, trip leader candidates seeking to lead “B rated” hikes are required to be trained in the following mountain skills:

- Map and Compass Navigation
- Stream Crossing
- Glissading/Snow Travel
- Dry Land Travel
- Overnight Survival
- Nutrition/Hydration/Sanitation
- Field Weather Observations

These skills may be best learned through completion of Wilderness Trekking School (WTS) or an equivalent, subject to a waiver granted by the WTS Committee, or through skills training offered in other CMC schools.

Note: C and D rated trip leaders are already required to have these skills plus more.

Applying for Trip Leader Status

To apply for Trip Leader status, attach a copy or provide the following information:

1. Trip Leader School (TLS) completion notification date or, copy of waiver granted and date of waiver
2. Current Wilderness First Aid (WFA) certificate or, copy of waiver and date of waiver; WFA must be current within the last two years from date of application
3. Completed LIT evaluation form
4. Winter non-backcountry applicants – ATA course completion date
5. Winter backcountry applicants – AIARE Level 1 course completion date
6. CPR is NOT required to be a trip leader. However, If you are instructing in a CMC School that will be taught in a Colorado State Park, CPR, current within the past two years, is required. Please indicate date of CPR certification on listing of schools.

If you are applying to become a Fly Fishing Leader, a Cycling Coordinator or a Ski Leader then attach the following as applicable:

- Fly Fishing Leaders completed fly fishing LIT evaluation
- Cycling Coordinator leader applicant LIT evaluation
- Winter non-backcountry ski leaders and Winter backcountry ski leaders must have a ski classification and complete their LIT with a Ski Leader; attach your ski leader evaluation. If you have not yet been evaluated as a skier, contact Jeff Flax: jeff@jflax.com

IF APPLYING FOR TECHNICAL TRIP LEADER STATUS: Locate the Technical Trip Leader Application form at <https://cmcdenver.org/trip-leaders/denver-group-trip-leader-policies/becomingatripleader>, complete it and submit it as instructed.

NOTE: Denver Group Council provides funding under the SALT Program for schools that promote leadership and safety. (SALT = Support Aid for Leader Training). These scholarship applications are available at: <https://goo.gl/DhBZfM>

TRIP LEADER APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: _____
Member Number: _____
Address: _____
City: _____
E-mail: _____
Phone: Cell _____ Home _____ Work _____
Year Joined CMC: _____
Current Hiking Classification: _____
Current Skiing Classification: _____

What kind of trips do you plan to lead?

1. HIKES: "A", "B", "C", "D" (circle highest level) _____
2. Trail work: _____
3. Backpacking trips: _____
4. Winter, non-backcountry trips: (ATA required) _____
5. Winter, backcountry trips: (AIARE Level 1 required) _____
6. Ski tour: Easy ____ Moderate ____ Advanced ____
7. Snowshoe: ____ Winter camping _____
8. OTHER: Bicycle trips Road ____ Mountain ____
9. OTHER: Fly-fishing _____
10. OTHER: Nordic center _____
11. OTHER: Downhill Ski Coordinator: _____
12. OTHER: Outings not previously described _____

NOTE: There are separate applications for Adventure Travel Leader, Technical Trip Leader (Snow, Rock, Ice, Rope) and Trail Crew Leader. Each of these may have additional requirements from those listed above.

CMC DENVER COURSES & SCHOOLS

Please provide the date for those CMC schools/courses you have completed:

1. Trip Leader School (TLS): _____
2. Wilderness Trekking School (WTS): _____
3. Backpacking School (BKPS): _____
4. Winter Camping School (WCS): _____

5. Backcountry Skiing School (BSTS): _____
6. Telemark Skiing School (TSS): _____
7. Fly-fishing School (FFS): _____
8. Wilderness Survival School (WSS): _____
9. Alpine Scrambling Course (ASC): _____
10. Avalanche Terrain Avoidance (ATA): _____
11. AIARE Level 1 (24 hour school): _____
12. Alpine Climbing School (formerly BMS) _____
13. Navigation School: Module 1: _____ Module 2: _____

FOR TRIP LEADER CANDIDATES SEEKING TO LEAD "B-RATED HIKES

Please provide how and when you satisfied the following seven mountaineering skills required for leading B, C or D-Rated hikes.

A) I completed WTS: Yes/No Date WTS was Completed: _____

B) If "No" for WTS above, please complete items 1-7 below:

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| 1. Map & Compass Navigation | Module Taken: _____ | Date: _____ |
| 2. Stream Crossing | Module Taken: _____ | Date: _____ |
| 3. Glissading/Snow Travel | Module Taken: _____ | Date: _____ |
| 4. Dry Land Travel | Module Taken: _____ | Date: _____ |
| 5. Overnight Survival | Module Taken: _____ | Date: _____ |
| 6. Nutrition/Hydration/Sanitation | Module Taken: _____ | Date: _____ |
| 7. Field Weather Observations | Module Taken: _____ | Date: _____ |

C) I received a **Waiver** for WTS: Yes/No Date of Waiver: _____

List & describe other relevant training/experience that strengthens your qualifications as a CMC Denver Trip Leader

Note: To maintain your status for leading Winter Trips, which are defined as trips occurring between November 1 and April 30, ATA must be re-taken every 3 years and AIARE Level 1 every 5 years.

APPLICANT SIGNATURE: _____

Date: _____

Date Received by DS&L Certification Coordinator: _____

Certified by DS&L Certification Coordinator: _____

Certified by DS&L Committee: _____

Date Applicant Notified of Certification: _____