



## Philmont Youth Crew Positions & Responsibilities

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### Crew Leader:

- Responsible for the overall success of the expedition, and safety, comfort and participation of each individual
- Represents the crew in meetings and decision making
- Sees that crew operates efficiently and strictly within the rules and regulations of Philmont and BSA
- Communicates and coordinates with adult advisors
- Develops daily rotating duty roster and supervises its operation
- Directly supervises Ghefs, Firechief, and Pathfinder
- Becomes thoroughly familiar with itinerary and carries a Philmont map
- Is responsible for "No Trace" camping
- Completes base camp reports and paperwork both before and after trek

### Assistant Crew Leader:

- Responsible for all duties of Crew Leader as necessary
- Supervises Chaplain, Chronicler, and Medic
- Supervises camp improvement/conservation project
- Serves as Quartermaster and keeps up with location and proper use of all crew equipment
- Distributes crew gear and food packets daily
- In charge of setting up the dining fly and tents
- Serves as "bear b\| man and expert on what goes into the bag

### Pathfinder (Naviquesser):

- Responsible for determining correct location and trail choices
- Carries a Philmont Map and a good compass
- Becomes thoroughly familiar with itinerary and regularly confers with Crew Leader on distances, schedule, and location

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- Takes sightings and map checks at each cross trail and accounts for 11 degree declination
- Monitors crew location at all times

Chef:

- Supervises two cooks and all meal preparation (*does not do the cooking*)
- Responsible for efficient, timely, attractive preparation and serving of meals
- Assures proper amount of water for cooking
- Reads food preparation instructions fully before opening food packets, lays out food packages in proper order for meal preparation before cooking or serving anything
- Puts wash water on stove as soon as finished with cooking tasks
- Is exempt from most rotating duties

Firechief:

- Responsible for all fires
- Lights all stoves and wood fires as necessary
- Keeps up with fuel supply, refueling stoves and seeing that stoves are turned off when not needed
- Ensures that fires are dead out, cleans out fireplaces, and assures "leave no trace" fires
- Sees that a small wood pile is left for next crew

Medic/Safety Officer:

- Responsible for health and welfare of all crew members
- In charge of (and carries) the First Aid Kit
- Renders First Aid when necessary (along with advisor)
- Treats all drinking water with purifiers and sanitizes scrub water
- In charge of (and carries) water purifier chemicals
- Inspects cooking gear after each meal cleanup for sanitation
- Reviews all medical records with advisors
- Monitors crew regularly for sunburn, dehydration, hypothermia, foot problems, heat stroke and other ailments, and keeps advisors informed

Chaplain:

- Responsible for carrying the devotional book
- Conducts a short daily devotional
- Assembles crew for meals and leads crew in "Philmont Grace"
- Conducts the sabbath devotional
- Checks on attitude and outlook of each crew member daily and coordinates with medic concerning health and welfare of each member
- Arranges for crew attendance at religious services at base camp
- Makes bed check each night and reports to advisors on camp security

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Chronicler (Historian):

- Responsible for the Crew Journal or Chronicle
- Keeps a daily record of trek (altitude, trails, weather, wildlife, flora, fauna, sites, camps, trails, events, activities, participation)
- Writes a report each evening giving full account of the day
- Sees that postcards are written/mailed home by each crew member
- Distributes mail
- Arranges sightseeing and museum visits

ROTATING Camp Duties(Crew Leader prepares a daily roster) (Cooks for the day do not share rotating duties) (each job shown below has two positions)

- Water (WT) - Water retrieval and purification (for meals - not individuals)
- Cooks (CK) - Cooks (chef supervises the cooks)
- Clean Up (CU) - Meal & Site cleanup (including carrying garbage & trash)
- Dining Fly (DF) -Dining fly setup and take down
- Bear Bag (BB) - Bear bag hanging and take down

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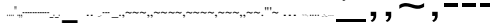


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