



## **POSITION OF RESPONSIBILITY**

### **OUTDOOR ETHICS GUIDE**

**Job Description:** The role of the outdoor ethics guide gives you a unique opportunity to help others make choices that reduce impacts to our natural environment. This includes reducing impacts made by our passing as well as actions that impact the experience of others. The challenge for all of us is to: Minimize what impacts you can. Avoid those you cannot. Preserve the quality of outdoor resources and recreational experience! As the outdoor ethics guide, you will have the opportunity to work with Scouts new to the program as well as those with more experience. In some cases, you may take the role of teacher; other times you may serve as a coach.

**Reports to:** Senior Patrol Leader and Scoutmaster

#### **How to be most successful in the Role:**

- Review the BSA Outdoor Ethics Guide Handbook at [OutdoorEthicsGuide.pdf \(scouting.org\)](#)
- Complete Leave No Trace advancement-related requirements for current rank.
- Read and be able to explain Chapter 7, “Outdoor Ethics,” in the Scout Handbook.
- Complete both online Leave No Trace and Tread Lightly! Awareness courses.
- Attend an Outdoor Ethics Orientation or Leave No Trace Trainer course.
- Be able to demonstrate how to reduce outdoor impacts.

#### **Responsibilities of the Position:**

##### THE OUTDOOR ETHICS GUIDE PERFORMS SOME OR ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

###### Trains others:

- Explains to Scouts the relevant requirements for the Tenderfoot, Second Class, and First Class ranks.
- Demonstrates how to practice the Outdoor Code, and the Leave No Trace and Tread Lightly! principles to meet advancement requirements.

###### Provides leadership:

- Helps the troop plan and conduct an outdoor program that effectively practices outdoor ethics.
- Mentors den chiefs in the Outdoor Code and practicing Leave No Trace Principles for Kids.
- Helps Life Scouts understand, plan, and carry out activities or projects meeting conservation service hour requirements.

###### Supports recognition:

- Encourages Scouts and leaders to complete the Outdoor Ethics Awareness and Action awards.
- Completes self-evaluation:
- Uses tools to evaluate how well they carried out the responsibilities of outdoor ethics guide.

**Qualifications:**

- Star rank or above.
- Introduction to Leadership Skills Troop (ILST) Training
- Appointed by the Senior Patrol Leader with the advice and counsel of the Scoutmaster.