

Outing & Trip Leader’s Guide – Certification Equivalents

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The following courses have been reviewed by ADK’s education department to ensure that they meet the standards outlined in the Outing & Trip Leader’s Guide. Certifications from these courses can satisfy the requirements to achieve Level 1, 2, and 3 trip leader status.

To submit a course for consideration, please contact Seth Jones, Education Director, at seth@adk.org.

Sexual Harassment Prevention

Provider	Course Name	Website
New York City	Sexual Harassment Prevention Training	https://www.nyc.gov/site/cchr/law/sexual-harassment-training.page

Outdoor Leadership

Provider	Course Name	Website
Adirondack Mountain Club	Outdoor Leadership 101	https://adk.org/skills-workshops/
Genessee Valley Chapter	Leadership Training	https://adk-gvc.org/
Appalachian Mountain Club	Outdoor Leadership Training	
American Canoe Association	Trip Leader or Instructor	https://americancanoe.org/education/take-a-paddling-class/become-an-instructor/
Sierra Club	National Outings Leadership Training Program	https://content.sierraclub.org/outings/become-leader

Map & Compass

Provider	Course Name	Website
Adirondack Mountain Club	Map & Compass Fundamentals	https://adk.org/skills-workshops/
Jeff Sargent (Onondaga Chapter)	Map & Compass	https://www.adk-on.org/
Barb Brenner (Genessee Valley Chapter)	Map & Compass	https://adk-gvc.org/
Ed Kasperek (Niagara Frontier Chapter)	Map & Compass Basics	

Skip Doyle (Mid-Hudson Chapter)	Map & Compass	
Lower Adirondack Search & Rescue Team	Introduction to Map & Compass	http://www.lasarny.org/
Outside Chronicles	Basic Land Navigation with a Map and Compass	https://outsidechronicles.com/events-classes/
Trail Bound Project	Map & Compass Navigation	https://www.trailboundproject.com/courses
Russell Ley (Mid-Hudson Chapter)	Map & Compass	
Bill Ruel (Connecticut Chapter)	Map & Compass	

First Aid

Provider	Course Name	Website
Wilderness Medical Associates	Wilderness First Aid & Responder	https://www.wildmed.com/wilderness-medicine-search-rescue-training-schedule/
Emergency Care and Safety Institute	Wilderness First Aid	https://www.ecsinstitute.org/training-programs/training
SOLO	Wilderness First Aid & Responder	https://soloschools.com/training-information/
NOLS	Wilderness First Aid & Responder	https://www.nols.edu/en/coursefinder/session_search/wilderness-medicine/
Vivian Almario, MSN, ANP-BC, APRN	Basic First Aid	
Outside Chronicles	Wilderness First Aid	https://outsidechronicles.com/events-classes/
National Safety Council	First Aid/CPR/AED	https://www.nsc.org/safety-training/first-aid/first-aid-cpr-and-aed-courses/fa-cpr-aed
National Ski Patrol	Outdoor Emergency Care (WFR Equivalent)	https://www.nspeast.org/calendar.html
NASAR	Wilderness First Aid	https://nasar.org/page/WFA
HSI	Wilderness First Aid	https://hsi.com/solutions/cpr-aed-first-aid-training/programs/wilderness-first-aid

Leave No Trace

Provider	Course Name	Website
Leave No Trace	Leave No Trace Awareness Workshop & Trainer	https://lnt.org/get-involved/training-courses/ https://learn.lnt.org/courses/101
Adirondack Mountain Club	Leave No Trace Trainer	https://adk.org/skills-workshops/