

Outdoor Experiences Adviser

Position Description

Established April 22, 2016

MISSION

To be a catalyst for girls empowering girls

PURPOSE

To support, promote, plan, and coordinate camping and outdoor activities, including adventure events and related training, for youth and adult Members.

ACCOUNTABILITY

Provincial Council through the Deputy Provincial Commissioner. Maintains a strong, collaborative relationship with the Provincial Program Resources Adviser and the Provincial International Adviser.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Where applicable in a provincial jurisdiction, is Chair of the Provincial Outdoor Experiences (OE) Sub-Committee.
- As Chair of the Provincial OE Sub-Committee:
 - Recruits, orients, and mentors members of the OE Sub-Committee;
 - Ensures that sub-committee members have the camping and outdoor experiences necessary to provide qualified advice;
 - Fosters a cooperative, collaborative, and supportive environment with sub-committee members;
 - Ensures that the sub-committee meets on a regular basis and a record of all meetings is maintained;
 - Prepares and monitors the budget for the sub-committee; and,
 - Identifies any personal learning needs that will enhance her performance as the Chair of the OE Sub-Committee;
- As a member of the Girl Engagement Committee participates in developing strong collaborative relationships amongst the OE, Program and International sub committees;
- Ensures that planned activities are aligned with GGC's Strategic Priorities and meet learning objectives articulated for the event;
- Maintains current knowledge of GGC, and Branch programming, with emphasis on camping and outdoor initiatives, activities, and program content and contributes to the advancement of GGC camping and outdoor programming within the Provincial Council jurisdiction;
- Establishes, promotes, and maintains high standards of camping and outdoor activities within the jurisdiction of the Provincial Council;
- Is familiar with and interprets, as required, camping guidelines and procedures as outlined in *Safe Guide* and *Guiding Essentials* and works in collaboration with the Provincial Safe Guide Adviser and Safe Guide Assessors;
- Works collaboratively with the Program Resources and International Advisers to ensure camping and outdoor initiatives, events, and learnings are successful;
- Mentors and offers practical support to Guiders participating in camping events;



- Coordinates the planning for provincially sponsored camps or other adventure and outdoor activities and ensures that girls and Guiders attending nationally and provincially sponsored camps are fully prepared for the event;
- Collaborates with Training to ensure delivery of camping training for girls and Guiders, as needed and determined by the variables of location, type, tenting or residential, Guider experience, age of girls, etc.;
- Promotes the use of the Outdoor Activity Leadership modules of the Training Enrichment for Adult Members (TEAM) and facilitates delivery on a regularly scheduled timetable;
- Reviews and evaluates all camping and outdoor activity ideas and suggestions originating from the membership for consideration of provincial implementation;
- Maintains an accurate listing of suitable and appropriate camping and outdoor activity locations within the Province;
- Promotes camping and outdoor related opportunities for girl and adult Members, using a variety of provincial media sources and contributes to the creation and publication of articles/newsletters, social media, and other messaging on camping opportunities;
- Liaises with, consults, and fosters resources exchange with other Provincial Outdoor Experiences Advisers across the country; and,
- Other duties as assigned by Provincial Council.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Considerable experience in planning and participation in camping and outdoor activities;
- Knowledge of camping and outdoor activity programming for all Branches;
- Completion of the Outdoor Activity Leadership (OAL) Training (any level);
- Interest in and knowledge of a variety of camping and outdoor activity situations;
- Knowledge of camping guidelines and procedures as contained in *Guiding Essentials* and *Safe Guide*;
- Ability to work with a team and to chair meetings;
- Ability to exercise critical and analytical thinking and to exercise decision focused skills;
- Good writing, communication, listening, and interpersonal skills with ability to communicate effectively via various media sources;
- Ability to source and develop resource materials for, and plan, camping and outdoor activity events;
- Experience in planning and/or participation in GGC international and/or interprovincial travel is an asset; and,
- Knowledge and awareness of WAGGGS' organization, resources, and initiatives.

TERM

Three (3) years

