

Role Description- UK Training Volunteer

Overview

The UK Training Volunteer has been created for Returning Leaders who are unable to lead with us on expedition this summer but still keen to be involved and support the organisation. The purpose of this role is to help build capacity within our leadership team during Young Explorer training events, particularly in instances where we might have more spaces for Young Explorers during the UK training phase than we do on the international expedition, or to ensure events are sufficiently staffed and balanced where expedition Leaders are unable to attend. We are looking for Leaders who are happy and willing to muck in with a variety of needs and tasks as required, to assist in the smooth running of an event which supports Young Explorers to transition to the next part of their British Exploring Society journey.

Responsibilities

The tasks you are allocated and the associated responsibilities will depend on your own skills and experience, the needs of the event and the needs of the young people. It may be the case that we ask you to take up a role specific to your previous experience leading with us so that we can lean on this experience. Equally, you could be placed to support in a different capacity to what you have been familiar with prior. As a Returning Leader, you will understand that roles are dynamic with overlapping responsibilities which can flex to wherever the need is at the time.

Fire Leadership

You may be asked to increase the leadership capacity of a Fire, working directly with Young Explorers to guide and facilitate them through their training programme. Although Fire Leaders bring with them different strengths and skillsets, you will all work together to ensure the safety, wellbeing and development of the Young Explorers in your Fire. You will inspire participants to engage fully in the training, share your knowledge and support the building of a strong team.

Any technical qualifications relevant to the Adventure Leader or Paddle Leader role would be particularly useful here. Please see the Fire Leader role descriptions below for further information on associated responsibilities:

- [Adventure Leader](#)
- [Paddle Leader](#)
- [Social Leader](#)
- [Knowledge Leader](#)

Medical Support

We may ask previous Medical Leaders to assist with conducting medical 1-1 conversations with Young Explorers, provide training on expedition health and hygiene, provide first aid as and where needed, or to support in a Fire Leadership capacity as described above. Please see the Medical Leader role description for more information:

- [Medical Leader](#)

Operations & Logistics

You may be asked to provide general operational and logistical support to the event as a whole. This could include supporting at the 'base camp' venue, assisting with the preparation and cooking of food, helping to organise and distribute personal kit or cleaning equipment, amongst various other ad-hoc tasks. You may also be asked if you are available to assist with driving the van (to / from the venue or on site) and loading or unloading the van either at the event site or at our kit workshop in London. Please see the Base Camp Manager role description for further insight in to possible related responsibilities:

- [Base Camp Manager](#)

Person Specification

In order to be considered for this role you must be a returning Leader with British Exploring Society who has led on an expedition with us in the past 4 years.

Though not necessary to support in this role, holding the following qualifications would be particularly helpful:

- Valid 16 hour Outdoor First Aid
- [Mountain Leader \(Summer\)](#) qualified (awarded by MTA)
- Qualifications Relevant to lead group on moderate water in open canoes.
- Mental Health First Aid or similar

We would love to hear from any returning Leaders who are keen to help out, even if they do not hold any of the above qualifications.

UK Training Event Dates

Expedition	Event	
	Young Explorer Induction	Young Explorer Training expedition
Hartz Scottish Explorers	Fri 12 th May- Sun 14 th May Peak District	
DNG Iceland	Fri 14 th – Sun 16 th Apr Cannock Chase	Sat 27 th - Wed 31 st May Dartmoor
Kyrgyzstan		
Canadian Yukon		Sat 27 th - Wed 31 st May Snowdonia

**UK Training Volunteers will be required to attend an online Briefing. More information to come shortly.*