

Nawakwa Outdoor Association of New York, Inc. (NOANY) Hikes and Outings Committee

Policy and Guidelines for Published Outings and Non-Qualifying Hikes

In addition to official qualifying and non-qualifying hikes, (posted to our website and/or listed in the *Trail Marker* and led by qualified hike leaders), members also like to go on unofficial non-qualifying hikes, walks, and outings. If such unofficial hikes, walks, and/or outings are organized by a member and posted on our website or in the *Trail Marker*, thus becoming 'official,' the following procedures are to be followed:

1. A write-up of the planned event must be submitted to the Hikes and Outings Chair, who would, after approving, submit the write-up for posting.
2. For any event published under the auspices of the Nawakwa Outdoor Organization, a **Liability Waiver** must be signed by all participants. At the conclusion of the event, this waiver must be sent to the Chair of the Hikes and Outings Committee for the records.
3. Any leader/organizer of such an event should have taken a basic First Aid course. The following on-line course is recommended for a basic First Aid training: [eCPR certification.com](http://eCPRcertification.com). If you have another First Aid course you would like to take or are able to take an in-person training, please make this request known.

Please Note:

- The Board has agreed to reimburse expenses for the basic First Aid training listed above. For other First Aid trainings, the leader/organizer must first get approval for such courses and for reimbursement before signing up.
 - Most courses provide a two-year certificate, after which leaders will need to be re-certified.
 - Anyone with qualifications beyond a standard First Aid training (for example, from their work) would be exempt from having to take the First Aid course. Please speak to the Hikes and Outings chair about this.
 - A Certificate of Completion of a First Aid course would need to be submitted to the Hikes and Outings Committee.
4. A First Aid kit should be carried on all such events. NOANY will purchase for each leader/organizer a standard First Aid kit for use when leading such club events.

Thank you for volunteering!

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