



**APPALACHIAN TRAIL  
CONSERVANCY**

**VOLUNTEER TRAIL CREW APPLICATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent address (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

Use mailing address until: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Best time of day to call: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt size (adult, check one):  S  M  L  XL  XXL

Are you a member of ATC? \_\_\_\_\_ Member #: \_\_\_\_\_ If club member, which club? \_\_\_\_\_

*If you have previously participated on the Konnarock, Rocky Top, SWEAT, Mid Atlantic, Long Trail Patrol or Maine Trail Crew, please call (540) 953-3571 or e-mail crews@appalachiantrail.org for an alumni application. You may not need to complete the entire application.*

The Appalachian Trail Conservancy is one of the few organizations that currently does not charge an application or participation fee to participate on its Trail Crew Programs. We welcome and rely upon donations to help offset the cost of the crew program. A donation of at least \$30 (\$10 less than our web rate!) entitles you to a one-year membership in the Appalachian Trail Conservancy.

\$30  \$50  \$100  Other \_\_\_\_\_ Payment method:  Check  MasterCard  Visa  American Express  Discover

Credit card #: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Credit card exp. date: \_\_\_\_\_

Billing address:  Same as mailing address above  Same as permanent address above

Outline your hiking and backpacking experiences: \_\_\_\_\_

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What are your reasons for seeking volunteer work on the A.T.? \_\_\_\_\_

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What is your experience working and/or volunteering in group settings? \_\_\_\_\_

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What is your experience performing arduous, manual labor? \_\_\_\_\_

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What skills, experiences, and interests do you have that you feel would be beneficial to the success of the crew program and the group?

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Where did you hear about ATC crews?  received postcard  appalachiantrail.org  VolunteerMatch.org

ATC recruitment presentation at \_\_\_\_\_  College \_\_\_\_\_  Outfitter \_\_\_\_\_

Local Club \_\_\_\_\_  Previous Volunteer \_\_\_\_\_  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Our crew programs allow for all levels of skill and experience, however, crew members must be able to perform hard manual labor, hike and backpack over varying distances and terrain, and withstand the rigors of primitive backcountry life. It is *imperative* that you discuss any physical or mental conditions with your physician, including fitness level, previous injuries or chronic illnesses that may affect your ability to participate in our crew program and contact us with any concerns.

Please initial here to let us know that you have thoroughly read and understand the above paragraph. \_\_\_\_\_

**Dates listed below are work dates. All crew members need to arrive at the base camp on the evening before the session begins.**

Please mark your preferred sessions, up to six weeks per program. We cannot guarantee your first choice, so please indicate a second (or even third) preference. If no ranking is indicated, we will assume that you are available and plan to work all of the weeks marked.

**Konnarock Crew**

(Georgia to Shenandoah NP)  
(THURSDAY-MONDAY)

- May 7-11
- May 14-18
- May 21-25
- May 28-June 1
- June 4-8
- June 11-15
- Break --
- July 2-6
- July 9-13
- July 16-20
- July 23-27
- July 30-Aug 3
- Aug 6-10

**Smokies Wilderness**

**Elite A.T. Crew (SWEAT)**  
(Smoky Mountain NP)  
(SIX-DAY SESSIONS)

- June 8-13
- June 17-22
- June 26-July 1
- July 5-10
- Break --
- July 18-23
- July 27-Aug 1
- Aug 5-10
- Aug 14-19

**Rocky Top Crew**

(Smoky Mountain NP)  
(EIGHT-DAY SESSIONS)

- Sept 2-9
- Sept 13-20
- Sept 24-Oct 1  
(equestrian volunteers given preference)

- Break --
- Oct 12-19
- Oct 23-30

**Mid-Atlantic Crew**

(Shenandoah NP to New York)  
(THURSDAY-MONDAY)

- Sept 3-7
- Sept 10-14
- Sept 17-21
- Sept 24-28
- Oct 1-5
- Oct 8-12
- Oct 15-19
- Oct 22-27  
(THURSDAY-TUESDAY)

**Long Trail Patrol**

(throughout Vermont)  
(MONDAY-FRIDAY)

- July 6-10
- July 13-17
- week off July 20-24
- to support ATC Biennial Meeting --
- July 27-31
- Aug 3-7
- Aug 10-14
- Aug 17-21

**Maine Trail Crew**

(throughout Maine)  
(SATURDAY-WEDNESDAY)

- June 6-10
- June 13-17
- June 20-24
- June 27-July 1
- July 5-8  
(short week)
- July 11-15
- July 18-22
- July 25-29
- Aug 1-5
- Aug 8-12

To complete the application process:

1. Two references are required. *E-mail is our preferred contact method.* Please list names and contact information for two people (preferably employers or teachers rather than friends or relatives) who you feel would be able to comment on the following criteria:
  - Your physical conditioning, ability to do hard physical labor, and adaptability to adverse conditions.
  - Your ability to work well with a diverse group of people and ability to handle stressful situations.
  - Your ability to function as a member of a team and your experiences working as part of a team.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Best times to reach and other comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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2. Place this completed application form in an envelope, and mail it to: Appalachian Trail Conservancy, P.O. Box 174, Blacksburg, VA 24063. If you have questions, call (540) 953-3571 or e-mail crews@appalachiantrail.org.

We will be in touch with you as soon as possible. Thanks for applying!