

Clubwide Activity Standards

Policy Statement

It is the policy of the Mountaineers that all activities, as determined by the Managing Committee, meet clubwide standards that are equal to or exceed generally accepted standards for volunteer organizations pursuing that activity consistent with the following goals:

- To promote safety,
- To cultivate inter-branch harmony,
- To ensure consistency, and
- To maximize the quality of our members' experience.

Application

1. The Managing Committee will determine which activities require clubwide activity standards and it retains the approval authority for these standards.
2. Branch activity chairs and lodge chairs are expected to collaborate with their peers to develop and revise clubwide standards so they stay up-to-date with generally accepted standards and club practices. Standards and standard revisions may be submitted to the Managing Committee at any time for approval.
3. Each Mountaineers committee participating in an activity with a clubwide standard is expected to comply with that standard. Each committee shall conduct an annual internal audit and take any corrective action needed to assure compliance.
4. The Managing Committee shall periodically initiate external audits of clubwide activity standards to confirm that the standards are consistent with generally accepted standards and that Mountaineers activities meet the standards. External auditors will submit a report to the Managing Committee, which will coordinate corrective action with the applicable committees.
5. The Managing Committee has the authority to suspend activities of any committee that fails to comply with their clubwide activity standard following reasonable time and efforts to correct non-compliance.

Responsibility

The Managing Committee is responsible for establishing procedures to implement this policy.