



## Seattle Hiking Committee – Steps to become a Hike Leader

1. Attend 2.5 hour hike leader seminar. Pre-requisites for the seminar are as follows:
  - Mountaineers member
  - If new Mountaineers member and have not participated in any Mountaineers activities, must participate in 3 club hikes before attending the seminar.
  - Current members with a record of activities (e.g., scrambling, climbing) but no participation in day hikes may complete the 3 club hikes after the Seminar, but before leading their mentored hike.
2. Read all resource materials on **course activity page**.
3. Complete **Hike leader application**.
4. Identify a mentor and request temporary hike leader status by sending an email to: [SeattleHikeLeader@gmail.com](mailto:SeattleHikeLeader@gmail.com)
5. If you need assistance identifying a mentor, send an email to [SeattleHikeLeader@gmail.com](mailto:SeattleHikeLeader@gmail.com) with the mentored hike you'd like to lead and the pace at which you intend to lead it.
6. Post a regular club hike on the website (not a hike associated with a course). Hike leader candidate must post the hike as the primary leader, and register the mentor as the co-leader. Hike should be posted/listed under the Seattle Branch.
7. Lead the hike, demonstrating the skills presented during the course. Close the activity after completion.
8. Receive positive recommendation from mentor to be granted permanent hike leader status.
9. Seattle hiking committee will inform you that you've met the requirements to become a hike leader and ask you to confirm that you'd like to be added to the active leader roster.

### Mentor Requirements

Mentor selected must be a current hike leader and have led a minimum of 6 club hikes.