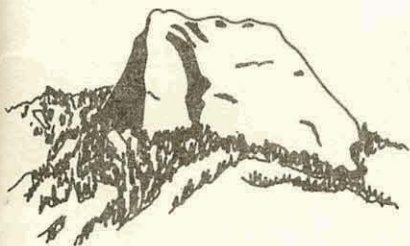


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**1975 Leaders Guidebook &  
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# LEADER'S GUIDEBOOK

## CONGRATULATIONS

For having been selected as an adult leader (age 21 or over) for a Philmont expedition. This reflects great credit upon you and your leadership. At the same time, you have assumed a great responsibility. Parents are entrusting their sons and/or daughters to your care. The Boy Scouts of America is placing its faith and confidence in your leadership. Most important, the young people in your crew are depending on you to realize their hopes, aspirations and dreams of Philmont.

## YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES ARE TO

- (1) Recruit Scouts and Explorers who will be at least age 14 by September 1, and who are "first class" in every way.
- (2) Organize your expedition; and
- (3) Train the members of your crews so they will be prepared for a High Adventure experience at Philmont.

## CAMPER - LEADER REQUIREMENTS

To assist you in planning for your Philmont expedition, here are the key requirements for camper and leader participation at Philmont. Exceptions to these requirements cannot be made. In keeping with the policies of the Boy Scouts of America, requirements for acceptance and participation at Philmont are the same for everyone without regard to race, color or national origin. There are three ways Scouts or Explorers may participate in a Philmont expedition:

- (1) As members of a chartered unit
  - a Scout troop with male leadership, or
  - an Explorer Post (male posts with male leadership; coed posts - see specific requirements below), or
  - Cavalcades are open exclusively to chartered units (may be coed - see specific requirements below).
- (2) As members of a council or district contingent (male only) with approved male leaders, or
- (3) As individuals in the Philmont Adventurers (male provisional group) with leadership provided by Philmont. This opportunity must be limited to only a few Scouts and male Explorers who have no other way to participate in a Philmont expedition.

## Coed Crew Requirements

Coed crews must meet all four of these requirements in addition to the age and physical requirements.

- (1) Written parental permission must be secured for each crew member. Each leader should keep these signed notes in his possession while at Philmont.

- (2) All crew members must be from the same registered Explorer Post.
- (3) A married couple (age 21 or over) must serve as the adult leaders for each crew.
- (4) Separate housing must be arranged for the young men and young ladies while on the trail and enroute to and from Philmont.

#### Age Requirements

- (1) Every crew must have adult leadership (age 21 or over). One adult leader for each eleven campers is considered the minimum camper/leader ratio.
- (2) Philmont expedition participants and Philmont Adventurers must be at least age 14 by September 1.
- (3) Cavalcade, Kit Carson Men and Kit Carson Women participants must be at least age 16 by September 1.
- (4) Each Work Crew (all male) member must be at least age 16 by the date he attends Philmont.
- (5) Age requirements for Philmont participation cannot be relaxed.

#### PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

For yourself and your campers are rigorous. EVERY camper at Philmont must be physically strong. Everyone must be capable of carrying a pack, weighing 25-35 pounds, over rugged mountain trails at high elevations.

Individuals who are excessively overweight, who have physical disabilities that prevent them from backpacking over rough terrain, or who have heart conditions or high blood pressure, should NOT consider coming to Philmont. See the "Criteria for no Acceptance" on the health form, #4431. Persons who cannot meet these requirements will not be permitted to go on the trail.

#### ORGANIZE YOUR CREW

Philmont is a "natural" for older Scouts (Leadership Corps) of chartered units. Crews accompanied by their unit leader(s) usually derive the greatest enjoyment and benefits from their Philmont adventure. This becomes your unit's super-activity for the year.

An ideal crew for hiking and camping at Philmont consists of one adult leader and about ten young men. Two adult leaders per crew is even better since it insures continuity of leadership if one leader becomes incapacitated. More important, two men can complement each other's leadership and enjoy each other's company on the trail.

A well qualified Scout or Explorer should be selected as "crew leader". The crew leader is the key to a successful Philmont expedition. This booklet should be shared with your crew leader who should share it with all crew members.

#### CREW SIZE

We have found that the best numerical size for a Philmont crew is 12 or fewer persons, including adult leaders. These itineraries have been developed for this number. You will be helping yourselves, as well as Philmont, by limiting the size of your crew to 12. You will find hiking easier, food distribution best, program opportunities greater, and campsites that comfortably accommodate a maximum of 12 persons.



























































































































