

Niagara Bruce Trail Club

Job Description: Trail Captain



The Trail Captain's role is to maintain a section of the Niagara Bruce Trail usually 2-4 kms in length.

Duties:

Inspect your assigned section of the Trail Bi Monthly and keep track of your volunteer hours spent working or inspecting

Review the on-line Videos Loose on the Bruce for tips on Trail Maintenance at BTC.org

Ensure the Trail is properly marked with blazes. Blazes are necessary to guide the hiker along the Trail. Follow the Basic Trail Maintenance Guide for Trail Captains and Trail Workers for rules on Trail Blazes.

Be aware of the signage on your section and check to see if signs are damaged or have been removed. Every intersection of Trail and road crossings should have a sign indicating the Street name.

Remove litter and report any unusual quantities of garbage on the Trail to the Director of Trail Development and Maintenance

Report any areas that have been used for camping

Pruning, trimming and grass trimming as required. Where possible maintain the path 2ft wide but the Trail Corridor should be 5ft wide and 8ft high

Structures such as boardwalks, stiles, stairs and bridges should be checked on your bi monthly inspection for wear or damage.

It is important to inspect the Trail after major storms. Trees, branches and debris can cover the Trail after severe winds.

Report trees that need a sawyer to remove. Use a bow saw for smaller trees or branches if they can be removed safely. If you don't have the proper equipment contact the Director Trail Development and Maintenance

Complete the Trail Status Report after inspection of the Trail 2x per year Spring and Fall.

If you are unable to complete any of these duties because of illness, vacations or other commitments please contact the Director of Trail Development and Maintenance

Thank you for Volunteering

Niagara TD&M

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