



American Red Cross Wilderness First Aid Basics Course

INFORMATION SHEET

Crew #77 and Minsi Trails Council are pleased to offer the American Red Cross Wilderness First Aid Basics course.

Course Description:

This is a nationally certified American Red Cross course. Participants successfully completing the course will receive a certificate for Wilderness First Aid which is valid for three years.

Completion of this course is now required for all crews going to Philmont Scout Reservation in New Mexico. At least one person per crew must be certified (it is strongly recommended that at least two people are certified).

This course is recommended in the [Guide to Safe Scouting](#) for all groups conducting wilderness camping. [Trek Safely](#) guidelines specifically mention it.

Completion of this course satisfies the core First Aid requirements for Outdoor Bronze or the Ranger Award (Note: This course **does not** meet the elective requirements).

Topics covered:

Delayed-help situations, emergency action steps, scene assessment and management, patient assessment and records, disease transmission prevention, prioritizing care, contacting help, long term care, wounds, injuries, sudden illnesses, bites & stings, backcountry miseries, plan execution, and evacuation planning.

Prerequisites:

There are no prerequisites required, but basic first aid skills are recommended (example: Boy Scout First Aid M.B. skills). CPR certification is not required although it is HIGHLY recommended.

Participants:

Participation is open to all Venturers and Boy Scouts aged 15+ and leaders. All Venturers and Scouts must have the approval of their Crew Advisor or Scoutmaster.

Costs:

The cost for the course includes educational materials, supplies, certificates, and if applicable food and lodging.

Course Length:

The length of the course is approximately 20 hours. This does not include CPR/AED training. If you would like CPR/AED training please contact Crew #77.

Registration / Contact:

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