

Assessment Checklist for Hillwalking (Terrain 2 Winter)



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Introduction

This is an assessment checklist to use in assessing an Applicant to gain a permit to lead Hillwalking in Terrain 2 Winter conditions. More details on the permit scheme, assessing, technical skills and Hillwalking in Terrain 2 Winter conditions can be found in resources listed in [FS120084 Scout Led Activities Index](#).

Using This Checklist

This checklist is the syllabus that an Applicant should be assessed against for the Technical section of gaining a permit.

Once an assessment is complete the Approved Assessor should fill in the back page and give it to the Applicant to take to their responsible Commissioner.

Equivalent Qualifications

If an Applicant has gained the Mountain Leader Award (Winter) of the MLTUK, or equivalent or higher within the last five years, or if any of these awards were gained more than five years ago but logged experience shows them to have been active within the last five years, then no practical assessment is required.

Technical Publication

If you require any more technical information on any of the elements in the checklist, these can be found in the official technical manual, which is:

Mountaincraft and Leadership by *Eric Langmuir*, ISBN 0-903908-75-1

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Core Skill	Done / Comments
Responsibilities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Choose objectives appropriate to the group. ▪ Plan effectively in advance. ▪ Be familiar with the Country Code and the effects of Hillwalking on the environment. 	
Group Management <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Manage and communicate with a group effectively. ▪ Ensure the group is adequately briefed before the activity. 	
Risk Assessment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Know how to complete a Risk Assessment. ▪ Able to effectively identify the hazards and risks and know how to reduce or remove them, during Hillwalking in Terrain 2 Winter conditions. ▪ Ability to change plans based on changing conditions and ability of the group. 	
Weather <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Knowledge of where to gain weather information. ▪ Knowledge of how weather conditions can affect Hillwalking in Terrain 2 Winter conditions. 	
Technical <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ability to navigate to the standard as required for the Mountain Leader Award (Winter) (details available from the MLTUK website or publications). ▪ Know how to fill in route cards. ▪ Ability to run lightweight camping in remote areas. ▪ Ability to manage groups safely while moving on steep ground. ▪ Ability to use ropes for group confidence and safety on steep ground. ▪ Knowledge of dangers and methods of avoidance of water hazards. ▪ Ability to cross water hazards safely. ▪ Knowledge of avalanches dangers and effective precautions. ▪ Knowledge of actions to be taken if involved in an avalanche. ▪ Ability to construct snow holes and emergency shelters. ▪ Competent use of crampons in a variety of terrains. ▪ Competent use of an ice axe including self arrest. 	
Emergency Procedures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Knowledge of relevant procedures in the event of an accident. 	
Equipment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Knowledge of personal and group equipment required and how it is used. ▪ Understanding of additional equipment required by the leader. 	

Hillwalking (Terrain 2 Winter) Permit Assessment

The Applicant should keep this form once it has been completed by the Approved Assessor and take it to their responsible Commissioner.

Applicant's Name				Permit Applied For			
1. TECHNICAL COMPETENCE						Done	<input type="checkbox"/>
Description: Technical assessment based on the holding of an appropriate NGB award, renewal of an existing permit with up to date experience, or a practical assessment of the Assessment Checklist.							
To Be Completed By: Either an appointed County Assessor or an External Assessor with the appropriate NGB award.							
Restrictions based on Technical Assessment:							
						Date	
Assessor:	Signature			Name			
	County (if SA Assessor)			Phone			
2. SCOUT ASSOCIATION RULES						Done	<input type="checkbox"/>
Description: Check of the Applicant's knowledge of the appropriate Scout Association rules for running the activity. Appropriate Rules can be found in FS120084 Scout Led Activities Index .							
To Be Completed By: Either an appointed County Assessor, responsible Commissioner or appropriate nominee of the responsible Commissioner.							
Restrictions based on knowledge of The Scout Association Rules:							
						Date	
Signature			Name			Role	
3. CHILD PROTECTION						Done	<input type="checkbox"/>
Description: Check Applicant has undertaken the necessary Personal Enquiry checks and received the appropriate child protection training.							
To Be Completed By: Responsible Commissioner or appropriate nominee of the Commissioner.							
Restrictions based on Child Protection:							
						Date	
Signature			Name			Role	
4. PERSONAL SUITABILITY						Done	<input type="checkbox"/>
Description: Check the Applicant is suitable (attitude etc) based on the demands of the activity.							
To Be Completed By: Responsible Commissioner or appropriate nominee of the Commissioner.							
Restrictions based on Personal Suitability:							
						Date	
Signature			Name			Role	
5. PERMIT GRANTED						Done	<input type="checkbox"/>
Restrictions:							
						Expiry Date	
Commissioner Signature						Date	