



GROUP Volunteer Application Form

www.destateparks.com/volunteers Email: DNREC_HelpYourPark@state.de.us Fax (302) 739-3817

Group/Organization: _____

Contact Name: _____
(Last) (First) (M.I.)

Address: _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Phone: _____ **Fax:** _____ **E-mail:** _____

Number of members interested in volunteering: _____

Please describe your group and its focus: _____

★**OBJECTIVE:** ___ Team Building ___ Special Project ___ Educational
___ Community Service ___ Other: _____

★**COMMITMENT:**
▪ Short-term Project ___ 1-2 Hours ___ ½ Day ___ 1 Day ___ Several Days
▪ On-going Partnership ___ Weekly ___ Monthly ___ Several times per year
___ Entire project

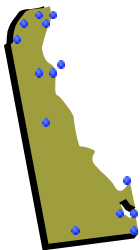
★**GROUP CONSIDERATIONS** (please check all that apply and explain)
 Age Physical Health Mobility Other
Please explain: _____

★**AVAILABILITY** Please indicate the best day(s) and time(s) for your group
▪ Mon Tues Wed Thurs Fri Sat Sun **OR**
▪ Any Weekday Any Weekend AM Only PM Only **OR**
▪ Specific Date(s): _____ Specific Time(s): _____

★**SKILLS & INTERESTS** (please select area(s) most interesting to you/your group)
___ Beach Cleanup ___ Historic Sites ___ Park Watch
___ Trail Maintenance ___ Building/Facility Repair ___ Living History
___ Nature Center ___ Park Improvement ___ Gardening/Planting
___ Special Events ___ Wildlife Management ___ Adopt-A-Trail
___ Weed Warriors ___ Natural Areas ___ Other: _____

★**LOCATION** AREA WHERE YOU WOULD MOST LIKE TO VOLUNTEER (Please check all that apply)

▪ New Castle: ___ Wilmington ___ Bellevue ___ White Clay Creek
___ Brandywine Creek ___ Brandywine Zoo ___ Fort Delaware
___ Auburn Heights ___ Alapocas Run/Blue Ball Barn ___ Lums Pond
▪ Kent: ___ Killens Pond ___ First State Heritage Park at Dover
▪ Sussex: ___ Cape Henlopen ___ DE Seashore ___ Holts Landing
___ Trap Pond ___ Indian River Life-Saving Station ___ Fenwick Island



*For more information on individual parks in your area, please visit www.destateparks.com

GROUP VOLUNTEER POLICY

Please make certain you have read and agree to the following before signing

- Groups accepted for volunteer placement will be sent a Group Volunteer Agreement defining the volunteer project(s) prior to the start date of the stated project(s).
- Volunteers agree to perform service without compensation and are not considered employees of the State of Delaware. As such, The Division of Parks and Recreation does not provide Worker's Compensation or any other insurance coverage for volunteers within the Division of Parks and Recreation.
- Group Volunteers must identify a Group Contact prior to the start of a project who will serve responsible for the safety and well-being of all group members. The group contact agrees to:
 1. Provide coordination and supervision for group while volunteering.
 2. Ensure all members adhere to park rules, regulations, and procedures.
 3. Report to The Division of Parks and Recreation any behavior, actions, or language inappropriate for the established activity, location, or group which may endanger the health and/or well-being of the individual, other group members, or park visitors.
- Volunteer Opportunities for **youth aged 18 years and younger** are governed by applicable child labor laws. A responsible adult must accompany volunteers under the age of 18 **at all times** during the stated period of service work, after the aforesaid individual has presented the Group Contact with a signed Parental Consent Form, which must remain on file with the Group Coordinator prior to and during the under-aged individuals period of service.
- The Division of Parks and Recreation accepts the service of all volunteers with the understanding that approval for such service is at the sole discretion of the Division. The Division cannot guarantee volunteer placement. The Division makes every effort to match volunteer applicants to volunteer opportunities according to the needs of the Division and the interests and availability of the volunteer(s). The Division further reserves the right to withhold any such reason(s) for refusal from the individual or group.
- Volunteers agree that the Division may at any time, for any reason, decide to terminate the volunteer's relationship with the Division. Volunteers may at any time, for any reason, decide to sever the volunteer's relationship with the Division. Notice of such a decision should be communicated as soon as possible to the volunteer's supervisor.

I have read the above policy and understand the risks involved in being a volunteer for the Division of Parks and Recreation, under the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control of the State of Delaware. I further understand that transportation to and from project sites may or may not be provided by park employees who are fully trained to operate park and work vehicles or boats. I understand that neither the State of Delaware, nor the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control, nor the Division of Parks & Recreation, nor any state employee will assume any financial liability for any injury or illness that I, or any member in attendance with me, might incur while performing voluntary service for the Division of Parks and Recreation.

(Signature of Applicant/Group Coordinator)

(Date)

Return completed form to:
Division of Parks and Recreation, Volunteer Office
89 Kings Highway
Dover, DE 19901
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