



Frequently Asked Questions about NSP Host Memberships

Q: How do I become an NSP Mountain Host member?

A: For unit membership inquiries or an application, please contact Bill Finley at the National office at bfinley@nsp.org or at 303.988.1111 ext. 2624.

Q: What is a Unit Membership?

A: Unit membership is the area resort or mountain membership. The area resort or mountain will designate a Unit Representative who will oversee the Mountain Host program. Either the area resort or mountain will pay for all individuals to become Mountain Hosts (\$55.00 per individual) or they will require each individual to pay for their own membership as they join UNDER the Unit name. The Unit will act as the representative for the area.

Q: How does a Mountain Host membership differ from other Memberships in the NSP?

A: The host membership helps you qualify for activities normally associated with host programs, including on-hill customer service responsibilities, public service and safety programs.

Q: Does the host membership qualify me to do any patrol activities?

A: No, the host membership requires basic first aid and does not meet any other patrol skill requirements. However, this could be a good place to start to meet the requirements for patrol membership.

Q: Is medical training required to be a host member?

A: Yes, NSP Mountain Hosts must have a current first aid certification (see below). The minimum requirement is NSP's Outdoor First Care. Outdoor First Care is eight hour first aid training, and an NSP product.

include American Red Cross Basic First Aid, Cross First Aid, Standard First Aid or First Aid Basics, American Safety and Health Institute Basic First Aid, National Safety Council First Aid or Standard First Aid.

Q: How does the host membership differ from an alumni and patroller membership?

A: An Alumni membership is for past members of NSP that wish to remain affiliated with NSP. A patroller must meet all the requirements that an Alpine or Nordic patroller has met, with the exception of toboggan handling. The host program does not meet patrolling first aid requirements or any other skills.

Q: What clothing/coats does the Mountain Host wear?

A: A Mountain Host will wear the area resort or mountain uniform. And with the permission of the Area Management, they can wear the NSP Mountain Host Patch.