

Assistant Lead Ride Responsibilities

An assistant leader is an individual whose role is to act as an additional support to the activity leader, and/or who has responsibility for a group of participants on an adventure activity.

Like the leader, the assistant leader offers the experience of the activity and achieves the activity's objectives. An assistant leader will support and assist the leader as instructed. Therefore, the assistant leader might need to understand the detail of the activity plan, risk management plan and emergency strategy.

TO BE INCLUDED IN A LEADER-TO-PARTICIPANT RATIO, THE ASSISTANT LEADER SHOULD:

- Possess relevant documented or demonstrated skills to safely conduct the activity
- Be able to undertake activity-specific tasks as delegated by the leader
- Be able to manage the group's safety, including in an emergency if the leader becomes incapacitated.

An accompanying adult without these skills and capacities may be responsible for the welfare and supervision of participants, but they would not be an assistant leader. As such, it is not recommended that leaders include these people in the leader-to-participant ratio.