



Volunteer Program - Parks Division

Dane County Land & Water Resources Department

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GUIDELINES FOR WAIVERS FOR VOLUNTEER PROJECTS

Category I: Categories of volunteer projects for which waivers should be signed.

- Projects involving the use of tools
 - Volunteers using a chainsaw (only with approval from Wayne Pauly, Dane County Parks Naturalist and have taken a FISTA approved Chainsaw Safety training) Individual Chainsaw Waiver form should be signed and on file with the Dane County Parks Volunteer Program Manager.
- Leading other volunteers.
- Special events (e.g., Youth Service Day, National Trails Day, Earth Day)
- Projects involving direct public contact (e.g., Campground Host).
- Projects involving the use of ladders or scaffolding.
- Projects involving a body of water.
- Youth working without on-site staff supervision.
- Park cleanup.
- Gardening.

Category II: Special Events.

- Special events or projects to which the general public is invited without pre-registration. At such projects a registration form will be available with a waiver for participants to sign. A reasonable attempt should be made to have every volunteer sign the waiver form.

Category III: No waiver necessary.

- Office work, including computer work.
- Seed collecting.
- Research, planning, surveys.
- Where there are existing contracts, including Friends groups. (Friends groups will be responsible to keep their own members volunteer registration forms & waivers on file. The Friends volunteer registration form should include a waiver or a waiver forms should be available at Friends workday events.
- Wildlife/vegetation inventories.
- Blue bird trails monitoring. If tools are used the waiver should be signed
- Interpretive work.

If you have questions please contact Rhea Stangel-Maier at 608-224-3601 or stangel-maier@countyofdane.com.