

{{Club Name}}

Saw Coordinator

The Appalachian Trail (A.T.) is cared for by thousands of people, hundreds of organizations/agencies, and passes through a variety of diverse landscapes. Volunteers, coordinated in large part through A.T. Clubs, provide on-the-ground knowledge, experience, and operational capacity. Alongside a variety of partners, volunteers work together to manage and protect a long-distance hiking trail that connects a patchwork of conserved lands and communities along a massive migration corridor that exits along the spine of the ancient Appalachian Mountain range.

As a Saw Coordinator working for the {CLUB} your primary responsibility is to make sure appropriate volunteers within the Club are provided with the oversight and training needed to perform their volunteer sawyer duties along the Trail.

Responsibilities:

- Monitor sawyer certifications within Club for upcoming expiration dates.
- Schedule upcoming courses with the Appalachian Trail Conservancy (ATC) based on Club needs.
- Assist with the identification of classroom and field locations, as well as other course logistics.
- Verify training course participant selection, when interest is higher than available capacity.
- Ensure training opportunities for necessary companion certifications for first-aid / CPR are promoted to or available for sawyers within the club.
- Establish and support club sawyer skill progression by ensuring opportunities for skill development at various levels, such as saw mentoring programs and rotating schedules of sawyers for work trips to better distribute saw time.
- Coordinate saw strike teams after significant storms.
- Keep current with any United States Forest Service or National Park Service policy updates.
- Distribute safety notifications and policy updates as distributed by ATC or land manager to sawyers within Club.

Term:

This is a 2-3 year position with the option to extend the position duration if desired. Expected monthly time commitment will vary; likely 3-12 hours will be required each quarter of the year.

Benefits:

- Flexible schedule, provided that fundamental tasks are completed in a timely manner.
- Pride in being an essential part of maintaining the volunteer legacy of the Trail.

- Exposure to career development opportunities and networking in the field of conservation.
- Support specialized skill program essential to the A.T.'s maintenance.
- Support a social community centered around caring for the Trail.
- Support the process of providing positive volunteer opportunities for individuals to care for an iconic trail.

Available Trainings:

- A program orientation is available from ATC to those entering this position.
- Being a Certified A.T. Sawyer is not required, though familiarity with the program is helpful. Individuals in this position may choose to attend a saw safety certification course to be evaluated, or simply to audit/observe.

Qualifications:

- Skilled communicator, with reliable email communications.
- Ability to monitor and track certifications of Club sawyers using a spreadsheet.
- Familiarity with the A.T. preferred.
- Must be self-motivated and responsible.
- Have a willingness to learn, follow, and teach the appropriate work standards, techniques, and safety procedures.

If interested in this volunteer position, please contact the {{Club Name}} for more information. Feel free to reach out to the ATC at volunteer@appalachiantrail.org for assistance with connecting to the club.