

POCKET STEWARDSHIP

The Colorado Mountain Club is committed to protecting and improving public lands. Pocket Stewardship is an easy way for volunteer leaders to incorporate stewardship work into their trips and field days. We've outlined a few easy ways that you can help give back to Colorado's public lands today!



GIVE A LEAVE NO TRACE TALK



REMOVE LOOSE ROCKS FROM TRAIL



REMOVE DOWNED TREES FROM TRAIL



PICK UP TRASH



NATURALIZE ILLEGAL CAMPSITES



DECONSTRUCT CAMPFIRE RINGS

DO: Talk about the Seven Principles of Leave No Trace at the start of the trip. Make it interactive! Assign a different topic to each participant, or create a LNT trivia challenge!

DO NOT: Assume that everyone already knows the LNT principles.

DO: Remove any loose rocks on the trail tread surface. Be aware of your surroundings and where you're placing the removed rocks.

DO NOT: Kick rocks onto other trails or people below you, or dig up any partially exposed rocks.

DO: Remove trees on the trail that can be safely lifted by hand. Report any larger trees obstructing the trail in the RIMS Mobile App.

DO NOT: Attempt to remove larger trees that cannot be safely lifted by hand, or use tools to remove any trees.

DO: Pack it in, pack *more* out! Spend about 15 minutes picking up trash at the trail head, climbing area or along the trail. Report hazardous materials as you find them in the RIMS Mobile App.

DO NOT: Pick up any potentially hazardous materials, chemicals, or drug lab paraphernalia.

DO: Naturalize sites that are within 100 feet of a water source. Cover the impacted area with natural materials, such as logs, branches, leaves, pine needles, etc. Naturalize social trails leading to the site. Pick your battles; a site that is minimally impacted has a better chance of recovering than a well-established site.

DO NOT: Overdo it! Large piles of debris can create pine beetle habitat and fuel for forest fires.

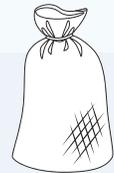
DO: Remove campfire rings within 100 feet of a water source, as well as any duplicate fire rings within a single campsite. Make sure the pit is cold to the touch. Disperse rocks, placing them fire scar side down. Pack out any partially burned trash. Scatter remaining ashes.

DO NOT: Inadvertently scatter hot embers.

RECOMMENDED SUPPLIES



WORK GLOVES



TRASH BAGS



REPORT WITH RIMS!

Prior to the trip, remind all participants to download the CMC RIMS Mobile App and complete the online training for full monitoring features. Report your Pocket Stewardship activities and any unresolved issues using the app. Prioritize large and widespread issues, especially anything that poses a hazard to other users. Be sure to take pictures!

More information at www.cmc.org/app