



## **Connecticut Rivers Council Leave No Trace Master Educator Course October 13-15; 27-30, 2017**

**What** - The Leave No Trace Master Educator Course provides outdoor, hands on, experiential learning in Outdoor Ethics focusing on the seven Leave No Trace principles for BSA Scouters age 18 and older.

**Where** - First weekend- Lever Lodge, Camp Mattatuck, Plymouth Connecticut. Second weekend- Appalachian Trail, Connecticut

**When** - 7:00 pm, Oct. 13, 2017- 12:30 pm, Oct 15, 2017 and 4:00 pm, Oct 27 2017 to 12:30 pm, Oct. 30, 2017. Attendance is required on both weekends.

**Registration/Cost** - Register at <https://www.ctrivers.org/training/outdoor-ethics>. The fee is \$300.00 which covers food, materials and BSA awards. Registration is done on a first come first serve basis.

**What you need to bring** - your personal gear and paperwork. Participants should be familiar with basic camping and hiking skills; you will need to bring your own gear. You will also be responsible for a 20 minute presentation and will need to bring your teaching activity/learning exercise materials. A BSA medical form is required.

**Questions** - Any questions can be presented to any of the following staff members;

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Upon successful completion of this course each participant will qualify as a ***Leave No Trace Master Educator*** and will be able to:

- Conduct Leave No Trace and Outdoor Ethics Awareness Workshops and Trainer Courses

- Serve as trainers to the youth in a troop and be better qualified and better prepared to support those in a troop known as an “Outdoor Ethics Guide.”

- Serve as a qualified Merit Badge Counselor for one of the ever increasing list of merit badges that include Leave No Trace as one of the requirements.

- Lead discussions on outdoor ethics, and help others explore and possibly help guide them toward raising their own personal outdoor ethical standards.

## **The Value of the Leave No Trace Master Educator Course**

Leave No Trace is an educational organization endorsed by the Army Core of Engineers, National Parks Service, United States Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, Fish and Wildlife Service, and the BSA.

The Leave No Trace Master Educator Course is a vital component of the worldwide Leave No Trace program, and the BSA program. It is a seven day version of the Leave No Trace Trainer Course. Participants receive in-depth, hands on training in Leave No Trace skills and ethics in an outdoor field environment. The Master Educator Course assists the participants in learning more about the seven principles of Leave No Trace and techniques for teaching and using these skills in both the back country and front country.

Leave No Trace, along with the Outdoor Code, Tread Lightly!, and the Land Ethic comprise BSA’s Outdoor Ethics program.