Mountain Training: Hill and Moorland Leader Training

What is it and what does it involve?

The Hill and Moorland Leader is the required national governing body award to be able to take groups walking in the hills and moorlands of the UK, within POR This is often referred to as Terrain 1. As with all Mountain Training qualifications it follows the format of – Personal experience – Attend a training course – consolidate your skills – Attend an assessment. This course sits at the second stage, giving you the opportunity to turn your experience into formal training.

The Syllabus includes;

- Leader Responsibilities
- Leadership and decision making
- Planning and Weather
- Hazards and Emergency Procedures
- Equipment
- Walking Skills
- Navigation
- Teaching and Learning Skills
- Access, conservation and the environment
- Background Knowledge.

What are the prerequisites?

The Pre Requisites are set out by Mountain Training

- You must have registered for the award, this can be done on the mountain training website
- You must have recorded a Minimum of 20 quality hill days (This includes days both pre and post registration)

Who's it for and what would it mean in Scouting?

This course is perfect for those wishing to lead young people in the hills, or those who are T1 permit holders and wish to expand their remit. Holding this award allows you to lead groups within the hill and moorland environment anywhere in the UK. It is a fantastic way of opening different DofE environments and helping supervise our young people in those slightly more remote areas. We have teamed up with Sandy Patterson of Scotch on the Rocks guiding for this course, who is one of the most experienced and respected providers of walking qualifications in Scotland. This course is set at a fantastic Price, of £240 which includes 3 nights' accommodation and food provided.

More information about the award can be found on the mountain training website below.

https://www.mountain-training.org/qualifications/walking/hill-and-moorland-leader/