

Connecticut Century Corps or CCC

The Civilian Conservation Corps from the 1930's created many of the trails found in the USA. The Connecticut Century Corps believes the best way to conserve our State Forests is to have hikers experience the wide variety of trails in Burlington and surrounding towns. Burlington has over 200 miles of hiking options, most of which are loop hikes. Today's CCC has many great trail choices for a hiker, family, or group.

Guidelines for the Connecticut Century Corps

The hiking year starts January 1 and lasts for 12 months. The awards are mailed to hikers a month after their application is received. A goal is to experience the great variety of trails in Burlington and also our state, so at least 10% of your trail miles must come from Burlington and the remainder can include any of the trails listed in the Connecticut Walk Book. A favorite hike can be repeated but only once per year. Add the trail name and miles on the bottom or back of the application plus #2 which indicates you did it twice. List all the Burlington hikes on page 1 and other CT hikes on page 2 of the application.

You can do any hike in the opposite direction. This is rewarding since everything is seen from a new view point. It is more challenging because you have to read the directions backwards. It adds more adventure, but you can only do this hike once and it counts as a new hike. If you do a hike in the reverse direction, add it to your list at the bottom or back of the application with "reverse" or "Rev" noted after the trail name.

It may be difficult to complete 100 miles in the current Hiking Year, due to weather, injuries, and social obligations. The CCC understands, and lets you combine 2 or 3 Hiking Years to achieve 100 miles. You must file an application with the BLT each year. It does not require a fee, it is just a record of your total miles that you can apply to the application for the next Hiking Year. Add the subtotal at the top of page 1. You also can continue to earn a 2nd Century Award and a stainless steel water bottle with CFPAs hiking challenge:

<https://www.ctwoodlands.org/blue-blazed-hiking-trails/blue-trails-challenge>

The CCC was created to attract families into hiking as a life long recreation. A hiker's age is defined as the year on the date of the post marked application envelope. Hikers before age 10 can earn a CCC award after completing a quarter of a Century (25+ miles). Hikers before age 16 can earn a CCC award after completing a semi Century (50+ miles).

The CCC application is on the next 2 pages. Once you complete 100 miles, mail in both pages. If you did hikes not found on the application, add it on the blank lines on the front. When that is filled, use the back of the application. Transfer the mile subtotals to the front.

Below are the links to all the town hiking trail web sites that include maps with detailed trail descriptions:

Burlington : <https://www.burlingtonct.us/parks-recreation/pages/hiking-and-walking-trails>

CT : <https://www.ctwoodlands.org/blue-blazed-hiking-trails/blue-blazed-hiking-trails-interactive-map>

Certificates will be given to the 3 earliest finishers based on their age group: 3-9, 10-16, 17-19, 20's, 30's, 40's, 50's, 60's, 70's, 80+. Your age group is based on your age when you mail in your application. If there is a tie, the application with the greatest miles breaks the tie. The certificates would be for the Gold, Silver, & Bronze Award

Got any questions? Ask CCC.VMC.hiker@gmail.com

Join the Corps !!

Fellow hikers usually smile and say hello as they pass each other. You might want to spread the "thumbs up" tradition for CCC hikers.



date of application _____

printed name _____ current BLT member Y / N

mailing address: _____ age _____

email address: _____ Enclosed check, if required: \$ _____

trail name & miles	date completed	miles	other hikers
Subtotal from last year	___/___/___	_____ . ____	
Subtotal from page 2.	___/___/___	_____ . ____	
Taine Mt Double Loop 2.9	___/___/___	_____ . ____	_____
Sessions Highlight Loop 3.2	___/___/___	_____ . ____	_____
Orange Dot Loop 3.4	___/___/___	_____ . ____	_____
Devil's Kitchen Loop 3.9	___/___/___	_____ . ____	_____
Punch Brook Loop 4.0	___/___/___	_____ . ____	_____
Highland Trail 4.2	___/___/___	_____ . ____	_____
Long Esker Trail 4.6	___/___/___	_____ . ____	_____
Long Wall 4.6	___/___/___	_____ . ____	_____
Miller High Life 5.4.	___/___/___	_____ . ____	_____
Mega Esker Trail 5.0	___/___/___	_____ . ____	_____
GAP Loop 5.6	___/___/___	_____ . ____	_____
Figure 8 Loop 6.4	___/___/___	_____ . ____	_____
Big Loop 10.4	___/___/___	_____ . ____	_____
Great Wall 5.6	___/___/___	_____ . ____	_____
Mile of Ledges Loop 3.1	___/___/___	_____ . ____	_____
The Long Loop 9.4	___/___/___	_____ . ____	_____
The Grand Loop 12.2	___/___/___	_____ . ____	_____
The Mega Loop 16.0	___/___/___	_____ . ____	_____
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_____	___/___/___	_____ . ____	_____



Repeats or Reverse direction from above :

*	___/___/___	_____ . ____	_____
*	___/___/___	_____ . ____	_____
*	___/___/___	_____ . ____	_____
*	___/___/___	_____ . ____	_____

* = name of repeat hike, add #2, date, miles, hikers (write additional repeat information on the back)
 * = name of reverse hike, add Rev, date, miles, hikers (write additional reverse hike information on the back)

totals from the back of this page = _____ miles

total as of ___/___/___ = _____ miles (100.0+ miles)

Mail this Master Application to:

CCC 8 Briar Cliff, Burlington, CT 06013

Please attach a \$20 check to "Burlington Land Trust" if you wish to become a BLT Member, or a check for \$10 if you wish to receive just the CCC award. If you are a member of the BLT, simply circle Yes (Y) above and the fee is waived. If you didn't achieve 100 miles, and wish to submit your total so you can apply it next year, write \$0 for the check amount. You will receive an email within 2 weeks after filing from:

CCC.VMC.hiker@gmail.com

I certify that the information in the above application is completely accurate:

Applicant's signature: _____ Date ___/___/___

date of application _____



printed name _____ age _____

mailing address: _____

email address: _____

Trail name & parking locations	date completed	miles	names of other hikers
Subtotal from last year's application	___/___/___	___ . ___	
NET (Metacomet) _____	___/___/___	___ . ___	_____
_____	___/___/___	___ . ___	_____
_____	___/___/___	___ . ___	_____
_____	___/___/___	___ . ___	_____
Tunxis _____	___/___/___	___ . ___	_____
_____	___/___/___	___ . ___	_____
Barkhamsted _____	___/___/___	___ . ___	_____
_____	___/___/___	___ . ___	_____
Mattatuck _____	___/___/___	___ . ___	_____
_____	___/___/___	___ . ___	_____
Appalachian _____	___/___/___	___ . ___	_____
_____	___/___/___	___ . ___	_____
Other _____	___/___/___	___ . ___	_____
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_____	___/___/___	___ . ___	_____
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Repeats or Reverse direction from above :	___/___/___	___ . ___	_____
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totals from the back of this page = _____ miles

total as of ___/___/___ = _____ miles

Please add this application with page 1 of your Master Application when you have completed 100 miles or submitting your total miles for this calendar year.

Parking location names are based on CT Forest & Park Blue Blazed Interactive Map:
<https://www.ctwoodlands.org/blue-blazed-hiking-trails/blue-blazed-hiking-trails-interactive-map>
 Trail descriptions can be found in the Connecticut Walk Book, by CT Forest & Park Association.

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