

2018 KTA Trail Challenge KTA TRAIL SWEEP VOLUNTEER GUIDE

KTA Trail Sweeps should bring the following:

- Required: Water bottle, flashlight, cell phone, and the ability to hike at a sustained rate of at least 2.4 mph over at least 6 miles of difficult terrain.
- Suggested: Insect repellent, watch, sunscreen, and rain gear

EVENT SCHEDULE

50k Registration: 5:30 a.m. to 6:55 a.m.

50k Start: 7:00 a.m.

25k Registration: 6:30 a.m. to 8:55 a.m.

25k Start: 9:00 a.m.

Checkpoint #1: 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Checkpoint #2: 9:00 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.

Checkpoint #3: 10:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Otter Creek Gate Station: 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

25k & 50k Finish: 7:00 p.m.

Trail Sweeps Schedule:

Volunteer Location	Distance to sweep	Volunteer Arrival (time & location)	Start (at the time indicated, after getting the "Go Ahead")	Approximate arrival at endpoint
50k Start (Pequea Creek Camp) to Checkpoint 1 (Pinnacle Overlook)	11.52 km	7:00 AM – at Pequea Creek Campground	7:15 AM	10:00 AM
25k Start (Susquehannock S.P.) to Checkpoint 2 (Lock 12)	8.25 km	8:45 AM – at Susquehannock S.P.	9:15 AM	12:45 PM
CKPT #1 (Pinnacle Overlook) to CKPT #2 (Lock 12)	12.73 km	9:45 AM – at Pinnacle Overlook	10:00 AM	12:45 PM
CKPT #2 (Lock 12) to CKPT #3 (Posey Rd, SGL #181)	8.53 km	12:30 PM – at Lock 12	12:45 PM	3:30 PM
CKPT #3 (Posey Rd., SGL #181) to Otter Creek Gate Station	7.83 km	3:15 PM – at Posey Rd., SGL #181	3:30 PM	7:00 PM
Otter Creek Gate Station to Finish Line	9.69 km	4:15 PM – at Otter Creek Gate Station	4:30 PM	7:00 PM

Trail Sweeps will be provided with:

- First-Aid kit (**leave at ending checkpoint**)
- Maps of Trail Challenge course
- 2 Trash bags
- Volunteer t-shirts (**please wear during shift**)

Responsibilities

- Report to your starting location at least 15 minutes prior to your start time. Check-in with the station supervisor to receive your volunteer t-shirt, and other supplies.
- At your indicated start time, double-check with the station supervisor that you are good to go. After getting the "Go Ahead", head down the trail with your partner, **always behind the last participant**, and pick up the trail flagging along the way. **DO NOT LEAVE BEFORE THE SCHEDULE CHECKPOINT CUT OFF TIME!**
- 1-2 Ham Radio Operators may hike with you. They may also refer to themselves as "Sweeps," but they **are not the official event Sweeps – YOU ARE**. They can be invaluable in providing communications between Checkpoints.
- **Do not separate** from your partner unless it is necessary to seek aid for an injured or ill participant.
- Check for slow, lost, and injured participants, **remove flagging tape and signage**, pick up litter, and note trail damage.
- If someone needs aid, contact Radio HQ. If the participant is mobile, accompany them to the next checkpoint. If they are unable to go that far, try to get them to the closest road crossing. If the participant can't move, contact Radio HQ. If no reception, one sweep should stay with the participant while the other sweep seeks a communication site.
- If a participant decides to drop out, take their bib and bring it with you to your end point. Give it to the station supervisor so it can be reported to Radio HQ.
- When you reach your end point, check-in with the station supervisor. Ask the Radio Operator to report your arrival to Radio HQ.

- Transportation should be planned in advance from the end-point back to your vehicle. Usually a Checkpoint volunteer will give you a ride, but you may need to be patient and wait for them to finish their assignment.

Other Volunteers Schedule

Volunteer Location	Volunteer Arrival	Start	End of Shift	Teardown
50k Start (Pequea Creek Camp) Parking	4:45 a.m.	5:00 a.m.	7:00 a.m.	7:15 a.m.
50k Start (Pequea Creek Camp) Registration	5:15 a.m.	5:30 a.m.	7:00 a.m.	7:15 a.m.
25k Start (Susquehannock S.P.) Parking	6:15 a.m.	6:30 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:15 a.m.
25k Start (Susquehannock S.P.) Registration	6:15 a.m.	6:30 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:15 a.m.
CKPT #1: Pinnacle Overlook	6:45 a.m.	7:00 a.m.	10:15 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
CKPT #2: Lock 12	7:45 a.m.	8:00 a.m.	1:00 p.m.	1:15 p.m.
CKPT #2: Traffic Safety & Spotters	7:45 a.m.	8:00 a.m.	1:00 p.m.	1:15 p.m.
CKPT #3: Posey Road, SGL #181	9:15 a.m.	9:30 a.m.	3:45 p.m.	4:00 p.m.
Otter Creek Gate Station	10:15 a.m.	10:30 a.m.	4:30 p.m. (50k cut-off)	4:45 p.m.
Finish (Otter Creek Camp) Set Up & Coordinators	8:45 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	7:00 p.m.	7:15 p.m.
Finish (Otter Creek Camp) (t-shirts, water, medals)	10:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	7:00 p.m.	7:15 p.m.
Finish (Otter Creek Camp) Parking Shift 1	8:45 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	12:00 p.m.	
Finish (Otter Creek Camp) Parking Shift 2	11:45 a.m.	12:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m.	5:15 p.m.

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