

FIRST Robotics Competition — Volunteer Position Description

SAFETY ADVISOR

POSITION SUMMARY

Involved in ongoing safety assessment during the entire event. The program nurtures a positive reinforcement model using safety credits to emphasize safe behavior and coaching to correct unsafe behavior. The goal is to have a safe event and to promote safety as a holistic life skill.

BENEFITS OF THE POSITION

- High visibility role, audible and visual presence
- Ability to work and interact with students and mentors
- Ability to contribute to the safety and success of the competition
- Access to field; ability to observe some matches
- Opportunity to impact participants and teach life changing skills
- Physically active role, not sedentary
- Opportunity to work in an exciting, highly-charged environment

ACTIVITIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Demonstrate Gracious Professionalism
- Attend Volunteer Meeting; participate in training
- Monitor overall event safety, observe unsafe actions and coach teams in appropriate safe behavior
- Perform ongoing assessment of team behavior towards safety and determine the winner of the Safety Award
- Manage the safety recognition awards aspect of the program.

EXPERIENCE, SKILLS NEEDED AND TRAINING

- FIRST experience not required but preferred
- Thorough knowledge of safety principles required, work related safety background preferred
- Ability to “take charge”; be assertive, but tactful
- Strong interpersonal/communication skills focused on a coaching approach
- Ability to link FIRST principles to a safety approach and move teams to compliance
- Outgoing personality; high energy
- Ability to move about the facility
- Must be ethical and impartial

TRAINING

Safety Lead Advisor conducts training at the Volunteer Meeting and provides guidance during the competition.

TIME COMMITMENT AND SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

Commitment: Three day commitment, this position is involved during all days the teams are on site as well as the Wednesday Dinner Meeting (orientation and training).

DAY/SHIFT	ACTIVITIES
<i>* Volunteers should arrive on site 30-45 minutes prior to start of shift</i> <i>* Shift times may vary by regional event</i>	
Wednesday Evening	• Attend Volunteer Meeting; position training and review of the program are conducted
Thursday 8am–8pm Friday 8am–6pm Saturday 8am–5pm	• Prior to start of shift: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Check in at Volunteer Registration/Information Table• Report to Safety Lead Advisor • Perform duties from Pit opening through Pit closing including the final decision on the Safety Award winner. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Assist with Awards ceremony

REPORTING RELATIONSHIPS AND SUPERVISION

- Safety Lead Advisor provides direct supervision
- Oversight by Volunteer Coordinator