

Volunteering at Estrella War XXIV - Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

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1. Can I take my child with me on my volunteer shift?

Yes and No. Many factors determine whether this is possible, including the age of the child, the duties assigned, the time of day you volunteer, and more. It is best to contact the person coordinating the department where you wish to volunteer in advance and consult with them. This can be done by email before the event (see the STAFF list page of the website for contact information), or you can take your question to Volunteer Point after you arrive at the event.

2. Can my youth (9 to 17 years of age) volunteer, and if so where?

This depends on a number of things, and the policy may change before war. At the time of this writing (September, 2007), youth volunteers are welcome to assist in some areas, with the understanding that there are restrictions on both the age for some duties, and the actual tasks youth volunteers may be assigned. It is best to contact the department you wish to volunteer for in advance and consult with them. As a general rule, youth can volunteer if they work along with their parent /legal guardian. Unaccompanied youth may not work in an enclosed tent (defined as having sides and door) unless accompanied by at least two unrelated adults and/or have their parent/guardian present.

3. I understand that I get to designate the name of an official SCA group (Kingdom, Barony, Shire, Canton, etc.) to receive credit (volunteer dollars) for the volunteer hours I work at the event. Can I split my hours between two different groups?

Yes, you can. You can sign in twice at the place you work, and indicate the portion of your hours to credit to each group. You will be asked to record your hours and designate the group to receive credit at the location where you volunteered. At the same time, you will also be offered a Volunteer Raffle Voucher to take to Volunteer Point if you wish to participate in the Volunteer Raffle.

4. Can I credit my hours to my Household, so they receive the volunteer dollars?

No. Only official SCA groups (Kingdom, Barony, Shire, Canton, etc.) may be designated to receive volunteer dollars for your work.

5. Can I give my Volunteer Raffle Voucher for the raffle to someone else?

Yes. You may give your voucher to anyone you choose (perhaps that kind person who made your breakfast). Just remember that the Volunteer Raffle Voucher must be taken to Volunteer Point to participate in the raffle.

Everyone attending Estrella War XXIV is encouraged to volunteer (and everyone's help is needed!). To sign up to volunteer, or to sign up a family or group of your friends to volunteer together, email the Volunteer Coordinators (THL Eden Blacksmith and her deputy, Mistress Meadhbh ní Dhubhthaigh) at volunteer08@estrellawar.org, or see the volunteering page of the Estrella War website (www.estrellawar.org).