



Club Training Officer Workshop

Our aim is to have Club Training Officers (CTO's) in all our affiliated clubs.

If you, as your club's Training Officer would like to receive updates from MI's Training Officer, please send on the following details to training@mountaineering.ie

- Full Name
- Club Name
- Club Location
- Contact phone number
- Contact email address
- Club Web site (if available)
- A brief description of your role and any planned training activities.

The role of the CTO is to liaise with the MI training office in promoting mountain training - both formal and informal - within their clubs. As a first step toward achieving this, a number of weekend workshops are organised throughout the country. These workshops provide an opportunity for Club Training Officers to come together with Mountaineering Ireland, discuss their clubs' training needs, and work toward designing an effective training structure.

It is not the aim of these sessions to teach hill skills but to demonstrate how to pass them on to others: participants should, therefore, have considerable prior knowledge and experience of the mountain environment. It is hoped that representatives will subsequently pass on the information learnt at the workshops to their fellow club members. In this way, training information can be widely disseminated among MI clubs. These weekends will also provide participants with information on Leave No Trace and formal mountain training schemes such as the Walking Group Leader, Mountain Skills, or Mountain Leader Awards.

Workshops are open to any club member who may subsequently be willing to act as a Club Training Officer for their club. These individuals would also act as a direct link between their club and MI, keeping MI informed of any training needs that may arise, and passing on future training information to club members.

The programme for the weekend will consist of both indoor informal discussion sessions and outdoor practical exercises. Participants should therefore come prepared to spend some part of each day in the outdoors.

Anyone interested in attending one of these workshops and acting as their club's Training Officer, should initially get in touch with their Chairperson or Secretary

Dates of upcoming CTO workshops will be published on the MI website and in the Irish Mountain Log. You can also contact the Training Office on 01 6251112.