

READY STEADY GO VOLUNTEER WEEK





Ready Steady Go is a volunteering event, potential volunteers need to apply for a place using the application form [here](#). All application forms must be endorsed by the relevant Member Organisation's International Commissioner.

This event takes place 2 to 10 May 2025 and is open to individuals aged 18+ of all genders. Participants are required to be members of Guiding/Scouting. There is a small cost of CHF 100 to take part in the event. Scholarships are available for those who cannot afford this cost. Room and board and all programme activities listed in this Info Pack are provided. Participants must cover the cost of their own travel.

Please note: This is a volunteer event where volunteers undertake work to get Our Chalet ready for the busy Summer season. Most participants must be capable of undertaking manual work such as deep cleaning and maintenance work. Instruction will be given for all tasks and appropriate equipment provided.

If you are not able to do heavy physical work, but have other skills such as sewing, computer-based admin skills, or experience with stock takes, please make this clear in your application. We can take a limited number of participants to assist with these types of tasks.

Under 18s at Ready Steady Go

In some cases under 18s, especially those age 16-17, may be able to volunteer at Ready Steady Go when accompanied by a responsible adult aged 18+. Please e-mail volunteers@ourchalet.waggs.org to find out more.



PROGRAMME



Ready Steady Go is a short-term volunteer opportunity, participants volunteer to undertake a variety of work to get Our Chalet ready for the busy Summer season. Work varies depending on weather and current priorities around the site, but is likely to include:

- Deep cleaning
- Maintenance
- Gardening
- Sewing
- Laundry
- Work on the grounds

Volunteers will be given full instruction and all necessary equipment.

Our full-season volunteers will continue to do the day-to-day work needed to keep Our Chalet running, including all cooking. **Please note, generally it is not possible for Ready Steady Go volunteers to work in the kitchen.**

During the week we offer Ready Steady Go volunteers the opportunity to take part in one full day programme, usually a guided hike in the local area, and four evening programmes. You will also have one free day, which you can use to relax on site or to plan your own activity to explore Switzerland.



ACCOMMODATION



- Accommodation is provided in dorm rooms shared with other Ready Steady Go volunteers.
- Our Chalet is open to guests of all genders. We are not able to guarantee single-gender hallways or buildings. Dorm rooms will be single-gender.
- A small number of single and twin rooms are available on request for an extra fee.
- Bed linen and towels are provided and for hygiene reasons we do not allow the use of sleeping bags in our accommodation.
- For fire safety reasons it is not possible to add extra beds or mattresses to any of our rooms.
- For full details of wheelchair accessibility please e-mail info@ourchalet.waggs.org





All meals from dinner on arrival day to packed lunch on departure day are provided during Ready Steady Go.

The kitchen at Our Chalet is operated by the Catering Coordinator and a team of volunteer staff. We do our best to accommodate dietary requirements, however, if you have a severe allergy or complex dietary requirement, we recommend you discuss your needs prior to booking.

Breakfast

A cold breakfast of cereals, yoghurt, bread, cheese, and fruit is available every morning in a self-service buffet style. Hot and cold drinks are also included.

Packed lunch

Participants make a packed lunch (sandwiches, fruit, snacks, etc.) each morning to take with them on programme. All participants are required to bring a lunch box or bag to carry their lunch.

Dinner

Dinner is served at one sitting and offers one option for everyone. Typical dinners include Swiss dishes such as rösti and camp favourites like chilli or pasta. Dinners always include salad or vegetables and include two courses with a main meal and dessert.

Special diet meals, including vegetarian, vegan, and gluten-free are available only to participants who have notified us in advance of their need for a special meal. Your pre-arrival paperwork will ask you to specify dietary requirements for each participant in your group.



We look forward to welcoming you to your home in the Swiss Alps!

