

Code of Conduct for participants on Lupine DofE Expeditions



This code of conduct is to promote the safety and enjoyment of everyone on expeditions.

You are expected to:

1. Listen carefully and carry out all instructions given by all staff, in particular relating to your own health and safety and that of others.
2. Work co-operatively as a team, staying together and helping each other. Do not leave your group (unless to seek help in pairs in an emergency) and do not leave any members behind, regardless of how slow they are walking.
3. Comply with the Countryside Code, in particular, take care of the environment and property, be polite and considerate of other countryside users, consider where you sit on breaks, avoid loud noises and do not play music out loud.
4. Once you have arrived on a campsite you must not leave the campsite until you set off the next morning.
5. Respect the privacy of others by not entering any tent that is not your own without permission or invitation. You will be given 'in tents' and 'lights out' times by your supervisor, from 'in tents' time until getting-up time you must only be in your own tent.
6. Respect other campsite users (including Supervisors and Peers) and the wider public by behaving sensibly and keeping noise levels to a minimum (especially overnight or if you are up early).
7. Use of mobile phones is only allowed in line with our mobile phone policy (see below).

Our first priority is the safety and well-being of our participants. Due to the nature of the Duke of Edinburgh programme breaches of this Code of Conduct will be taken seriously. Students who fall short of these expectations may be removed from the programme and parents may be contacted to collect participants at any point.

Mobile phone policy*

Mobile phones can be carried for emergency use and data collection in pursuit of your Expedition Aim.

You must only use your phone for:

- 1) Contacting your expedition supervisor.
- 2) Calling the emergency services if you have a medical emergency.
- 3) Only when instructed by your Supervisor to call or text home to give an update on the expected finish time.

The Assessor and Supervisor **may** also agree to mobiles being used for specific purposes such as taking photographs or videos as part of your aim. In this case the phone should be in airplane mode to conserve battery power.

If these rules are adhered to battery packs are not necessary and are therefore banned from all Bronze and Silver expeditions.

PLEASE MAKE YOUR PARENTS AWARE OF THIS POLICY SO THAT THEY KNOW THEY WON'T BE ABLE TO CONTACT YOU VIA YOUR MOBILE PHONE

* Our mobile phone policy is more relaxed during the training element of our full gold programmes which typically involve 2 days of residential training where mobile phone use in the evenings is permitted.