

Thriftwood Scout Campsite Campsite



Answers for teachers, youth leaders and organisers of children coming to Thriftwood

Taking responsibility for other people's children whilst away can be daunting. We hope this Q&A sheet helps allay any concerns that you might have.

What measures are taken to ensure the children's safety? – All Thriftwood staff have enhanced Criminal Records Bureau (CRB) checks, are trained in child protection and are First Aiders. Our session instructors all have National Governing Body Certification or have received complete operational training and are competent in our activities.

What happens if there is an emergency? – Our team are fully trained and capable of handling emergency situations. If an emergency occurs off session or in the night a duty member of staff will be available to help.

What clothes should my group bring with them? – We recommend that old, comfortable clothes for every day of the stay. Please ensure they have warm clothes for the evenings, sun hats etc. Old trainers or wet shoes are ideal for wet and muddy activities whilst a spare pair is useful for dry activities (e.g. climbing) and socialising. It is advisable to bring a waterproof coat / jacket. A more comprehensive kit list is available. Don't forget bedding.

Can the children bring mobile phones? – We advise against bringing any valuables including mobiles as they are easily lost or damaged. Please be advised that the children will not be allowed a phone whilst partaking in the activity sessions (most of the day).

What facilities are available on their stay? – Thriftwood has just had new facilities added, which include residential buildings, cooking/dining lodges, tented village and toilet and shower buildings. The toilets are separate male and female plus we have those specially designed for those with special physical needs. Our accommodation varies from large hiking style tents, fixed frame tents with bunks to residential buildings, all of which have separate leader rooms. All indoor accommodation is fully fitted with smoke alarms and illuminated fire exits and assembly points.

What will we be eating on the stay? – Our dedicated catering partners are fully capable of providing three meals a day. The menus are varied and specifically designed to nourish you after the activity sessions. We cater for most dietary needs; please ensure you tell us two weeks before. There are water points and vending machines for energy boosts. Self catering and part catered options are always available.

My question hasn't been answered and I would like some more details. What can I do? — You can find our contact details below. Feel free to contact us and we will gladly respond to your enquiry.

Prior to your stay we recommend you visit Thriftwood to see all of our facilities and to discuss any specific requirements your group might have.