



## Group Leader Fact Sheet

Here is a quick summary of the information you need ahead of your visit to Dorset Adventure Park.

- School sessions on the Waterpark and Mud Trail last for 90 minutes each, unless you have booked for a date when we are open to the public (weekends or school holidays) in which case Waterpark sessions will be reduced to 60 minutes.
- You must arrive 45 minutes before your Waterpark start time to allow time to change and have a safety briefing. 15 minutes in advance in plenty of time for a Mud Trail activity.
- School staff do not have to take part in the activities, but are very welcome to if the wish. Staff places are free on a 1:10 ratio. If staff do wish to take part they will be allocated a separate changing area away from the students.
- Our changing areas are separate sex, communal changing rooms. There are no individual cubicles. There are outdoor beach style communal showers for after the activity. It is recommended that your students wear swimwear under their clothing in order for them to be able to strip down and shower in a communal setting.
- Waterpark sessions are only suitable for groups over 8 years of age.
- We might take photographs of your activities to use for marketing purposes. If you don't want us to do this please say so on arrival.
- Pupils taking part in a Waterpark activity will need to bring with them swimwear to wear under a wetsuit, and a towel. School parties go onto the Waterpark bare foot . Wetsuits and buoyancy aids will be provided.
- Pupils taking part in a Mud Trail activity will need to bring a full change of clothes and shoes that they don't mind getting muddy, plus a bin bag to take muddy clothes home in. Long trousers and long sleeves are recommended.
- To take part in the Waterpark all participants must be water confident and able to swim 25 metres unaided.
- The Waterpark is fully lifeguarded by qualified RLSS Lifeguards. The lifeguards will be stationed around the course and able to assist pupils who need help.
- The Mud Trail is supervised by trained staff who will be dotted around the course to provide assistance as necessary.



- All of our relevant documentation including risk assessments and our insurance certificate can be found on this page of our website <https://www.dorsetadventurepark.com/school-trip-planning-docs/>
- Your lead member of staff will be asked to sign a consent form on arrival. A copy of this can also be found on the web page above.
- Our trained first aiders will be on site for all activities. They will provide first aid as required, but will not deliver any form of medication. If your students have any condition that requires medication please make sure you have it with you on site. We are not able to give out any form of painkillers, so it is recommended that if your school policy dictates that you are able to administer paracetamol to children that you bring some with you.
- Upon arrival you must inform our staff of any medical conditions that may be relevant to your pupils participation in the activities. For more severe conditions that we will need to change staffing ratios for, for example blindness, please let us know well in advance.
- Our activities will only be cancelled if we have more than a force 8 wind, or lightning within 5 miles. If this is the case we will delay your start time, move your booking to another date or refund your trip. See our terms and conditions document for full details.
- Your school staff will be acting in loco parentis at all times for your students. As such it is your responsibility to ensure that next of kin details are available for every pupil should it be required.
- The number of staff you bring to Dorset Adventure Park is entirely at your discretion and should meet your individual school's policies and procedures.

If you have any questions please get in touch.

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