

## Hike camps risk assessment

The basis of this risk assessment is the advice on preparing for expeditions in the D of E Expedition Guide (14th edition), in particular on pages 84-90. This is a general risk assessment for hike camps; for each hike the team will prepare a risk assessment, which must be agreed with the Leader in charge and submitted to the DC with the form NAN.

Planning for the event with the teams takes place over at least two evenings and includes:

The route

The task

The menus, - including trail snacks

The team membership (who is the team leader) Safety precautions

-what to do in an emergency

-what to wear and what to take

-checking the weather

-specific hazards for this event

Equipment – a detailed list of personal and team kit is provided

Prior training includes many Scouting skills learned at summer camp and during Scout meetings, over in some cases several years.

Specifically, a practice hike camp has taken place beforehand, involving some of, but not all the participants.

- Experienced Leaders supervise during the event throughout as appropriate for the age and experience of the Scouts. During remote supervision help is available from the Leaders via mobile phones, and on-the-spot help will be given if needed.

Nights Away rules are followed.

Parents are aware of the arrangements, including the use of event passports, risk assessments, and contact numbers of the Leaders.