### **Educational and recreational visits**

Educational visits policy

Ealing Council guidance for school visits.

Outdoor experiences provide young people with memorable learning opportunities that help develop independence, self-confidence, and responsibility. The guidance contained within this document will provide organisers and leaders with the appropriate health and safety support to meet their responsibilities in organising and delivering educational and recreational visits.

Ealing Council adopts the Outdoor Education Advisers Panel (OEAP) national guidance This guidance is endorsed by the HSE and all major teaching unions. It is regularly updated and should be followed by all Ealing schools undertaking off-site activities.

# Online educational visits coordinator (EVC) training

Schools can now access online EVC training via our Outdoor Education Adviser who has created a 'blended' course for schools.

The first part involves carrying out an e-learning module, followed by receipt of an EVC Workbook which is physically posted out, and the second part is a half day zoom two-way session online.

#### Discount code

Ealing schools can log in with your EGfL user account to access a 10% discount code. Schools should not share this discount code with any schools outside of Ealing. EVC training should be refreshed within 5 years.

#### Generic risk assessments

You need to <u>login</u> with your EGfL user account to access the risk assessments. To register for a user account, please use the <u>registration form</u> on this site (for Ealing maintained schools and academies only).

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- Abseiling
- Accommodation
- Archery
- Camping
- · Canoeing and kayaking
- City visits
- Climbing
- Coastal visits
- Dry slope skiing
- Farm and zoo visits (includes guidelines- also see HSE information sheet)
- Field visits
- Foreign exchange
- Foreign visits
- Horse riding and pony trekking
- Ice skating
- Laser quest, bowling, paintballing
- Mountain biking and off-road cycling
- Museums visits
- Nature reserve visits
- Orienteering
- Piste skiing
- Power boating
- Providers and instructors
- Raft building
- Sailing
- Sporting activities and competitions
- Steam railways
- Surfing
- Swimming
- Theatre and cinema
- Trampolining
- Transportation
- Unaccompanied visits
- Windsurfing

### Advice on driving school minibuses (GOV.UK)

This is non-statutory advice jointly produced by the Department for Education (DfE), the Department for Transport (DfT) and the Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO) on driving licence entitlement when driving a school minibus

Preventing or controlling ill health from animal contact at visitor attractions- industry code of pactice (hse.gov.uk) View industry code of practice located on the right handside of the page.

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