



Website and Forum Conduct Policy

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1 GENERAL

- 1.1 The forums on the OutdoorLads website aims to provide Members with a friendly environment where they can discuss topics relating to OutdoorLads Events and outdoor activities. They can also be used to make friends in the OutdoorLads community.
- 1.2 Access to the forums is provided as a privilege to members, and not an automatic entitlement. OutdoorLads has full discretion to censor, amend, delete or move any posts or address any behaviour deemed inappropriate.
- 1.3 OutdoorLads can remove access to the forums for any or all Members at any time.
- 1.4 The General Conduct Policy also applies when using the OutdoorLads web site.
- 1.5 When using the website forums Members' posts must not contain content or links to content which is deemed to be:
 - 1.5a racist or seen to promote racial/religious/ethnic/nationalist hatred;
 - 1.5b lewd, explicit, overly sexual or violent;
 - 1.5c discriminatory, sexist or insulting to the sexual preferences of others;
 - 1.5d offensive or using vulgar or inappropriate language;
 - 1.5e harassing or defamatory;
 - 1.5f illegal or immoral.
- 1.6 In addition, Members must not:
 - 1.6a spam or troll (create non-constuctive posts, create posts which are illegible or meaningless, excessively repeat oneself);
 - 1.6b pick fights, create unrest or disturbance;
 - 1.6c create duplicate threads or threads about existing topics;
 - 1.6d cross-link threads;
 - 1.6e advertise any non-beneficial items, organisations or web sites;
 - 1.6f discuss or comment on other members personally;
 - 1.6g discuss General Committee or Subcommittee activities or matters relating to complaints.
- 1.7 In order so that this policy can be monitored, only English language is permitted on the forums.

2 NON-OUTDOORLADS ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

- 2.1 Only activities listed within the OutdoorLads event system and are run by OutdoorLads (and therefore are covered by the organisations civil liability insurance) may be discussed on the forums relation to events.

- 2.2 There may be occasions when Members may post other forms of meeting or invitations to various non-OutdoorLads activities. Their inclusion on the forums will be at the discretion of the Forum Monitors. All posts relating to non-OutdoorLads activities must be made in the Buddies forum.
- 2.3 OutdoorLads takes no responsibility for the safety, quality or suitability of non-OutdoorLads events. Members posting, or reading posts relating to non-OutdoorLads listed activities or events take full responsibility for any actions they may take.

3 DATA PROTECTION

- 3.1 With each post, a Member's Internet Protocol (IP) address is recorded. In the event he breaches this policy or attempts to engage in illegal activity, this information may be passed to your Internet Service Provider (ISP) or the police.

4 USE OF INFORMATION

- 4.1 OutdoorLads does not accept any responsibility for the accuracy of any information stated or implied within the forum. The opinions expressed within the forum are those of the individual concerned, and not necessarily the opinions of OutdoorLads. Members act upon any information or opinion presented in the forum at their own risk.