



Duke of Edinburgh's Award Expedition Supervisors Training Course

A supervisors training course is now available for all those involved in supervising expeditions. For those new or relatively so to supervising it is invaluable. Whilst not currently compulsory CHQ are discussing this being a compulsory requirement for any expedition supervisor. More experienced supervisors will also find it useful as consolidation of their knowledge, and the opportunity to discuss issues with other supervisors. The first of these courses is being held at Girlguiding NEE HQ on April 14th 2012, from 10am - 4pm. The cost will be £20. It is essential that you complete an application form. These are available from NEE HQ or on their website. The following gives a summary of what is covered. **The closing date is Friday 16th March 2012.** If you have any further questions about the course please contact me direct at isabel.woodland@btinternet.com

The Expedition Supervisor training course covers:

- Understanding the role of the Expedition Supervisor, Assessor and other adults involved in the delivery of the Expedition section.
- Understanding the process of remote supervision.
- Understanding the importance of emergency procedures.
- Understanding the duty of care held by the Supervisor.

A Supervisor must have a good level of knowledge in three areas:

- DofE knowledge; including a full understanding of the requirements of the Expedition section and the importance of remote supervision.
- Technical skills; including skills in the method of travel, navigation, camp craft and first aid.
- People skills; including the ability to work well with both young people and other adults in a supportive manner.

This training course covers the first of these areas.

Pre-requirements

To ensure that those attending the Expedition Supervisor training course are able to gain the maximum benefit there are a number of pre-requirements, these are:

- Have completed the DofE's e-induction and has a letter of completion

- Have been approved by their Operating Authority/AAP to attend the course
- Have sufficient technical competence to undertake the practical elements of the course i.e. basic navigation and campcraft skills.

Yours in Guiding

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