

Terms and Conditions



Definitions and Application

These terms & conditions form the basis of the Agreement for the booking of the Abel Wood Campsite between Rika Bushcraft ('Us' / 'We'), & the hirer ('You'). This agreement applies to the sale, service and all statements made by Rika Bushcraft in price lists, adverts and quotations including verbally, written or via the internet. Placing your booking means acceptance of this Agreement. Rika Bushcraft may vary these Terms and Conditions at its choosing

Booking Policy

Provisional bookings will be held for a period of 14 days following quotation thereafter We reserve the right to release your booking. Confirmation of booking will be on receipt of the relevant non-refundable deposit(s). Prices will be calculated at the rates in force at the time of booking. If it is necessary to change the booked prices We will give you 14 days' notice in writing, at which point you will be able to cancel without charge. Unless specifically agreed by Us, & subject to any additional charges, a weekend booking allows entry from 4.00pm Friday & departure by Noon Sunday

Payment Schedule

A Final Invoice for the booking will be issued 3 weeks prior to your booking date, based upon the final numbers You have advised. Final Invoice payments are due no less than 10 days prior to your booking date. Non-payment may result in Your group being declined access to the site or any activity booked with no refund of any previous payments made.

Cancellation

You can cancel the booking in total or in part subject to You providing Us with written notice & paying the following charges; More than 8 weeks prior — Deposit Paid Between 4 to 8 weeks prior — 50% of total fee Less than 4 weeks prior to start date — total fee will be charged. We reserve the right to cancel, alter, or delay any camp, course, accommodation or activity where forced to do so by circumstances beyond Our control, such as serious illness, severe weather or any other circumstances which would subject Us or any of Our staff or volunteers or any of the participants to danger

Noise

Please observe a noise curfew on the site between 11.00pm & 7.00am. External PA speakers, amplifiers or large portable music equipment is not permitted on site at any time. Devices with external speakers are generally not encouraged, so please ensure that any music or similar cannot be heard from any site neighbours & turn them down if requested to do so.

Damages

All buildings, site & equipment are checked prior to Your arrival. Please notify Us at the earliest opportunity if You find anything damaged or missing to ensure You are not charged for the repair or replacement. In the event of any damage to the site, buildings or equipment provided to You as part of Your booking, however caused, must be reported to Us. Damage judged by Us as not of a minor nature will result in the cost of repair being invoiced to You. We reserve the right at Our discretion to charge the full cost of repair, or replacement if beyond economic repair. An additional invoice will be issued to cover the cost of the repair or replacement which will be due payment by return. Buildings & the site toilet facilities must be kept clean by You throughout the booking period. Anyone found to be damaging living trees or plants will be asked to leave site

Licences

You shall be responsible for obtaining any necessary approvals or licenses for the provision of any licenced activity in connection with the hire & will comply with all conditions attaching to such approvals or licenses. You will indemnify Us against all losses, costs, damages & expenses resulting from any failure to obtain such approvals or licenses or from any non-compliance with the same.

Equipment

Equipment supplied by Us for Your use must only be used for the purpose it has been provided for and must be used in the correct manor. All guidance must be followed in the use of any such equipment.

Activities

Instructor Led activities should be booked at the time you make your camp booking to ensure Instructor availability. Anyone deemed to be under the influence of drugs or alcohol during an activity session, not cooperating with the Instructor or to be causing a dangerous situation including not wearing the correct clothes during an activity will be asked to leave. Refusal will result in the activity session being stopped & cancelled without refund. Anyone deemed to be under the influence of drugs or alcohol & being a risk to others on site will be asked to leave the site immediately. Specific terms & conditions will apply to adventurous activities booked with external providers & are outside of this agreement.

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Safety of Site Users

All group leaders must ensure that every adult (over the age of 18) has followed the checking procedure as laid out by their organisation & has been deemed suitable to work with children.

You are responsible for providing the first aid of Your group.

No group members are permitted to enter the out of bounds areas identified by Our staff. This includes but is not limited to the areas behind toilet block, buildings and the wood store as well as the Rika Bushcraft working areas.

No vehicles are permitted beyond the no access barrier and this barrier must not be moved

Medical, Dietary and Special Educational Needs

If you or a member of Your group have a medical condition, illness or physical disability you must inform us prior to Your visit as well as any adaptations that may be required.

Please advise us of any dietary requirements at the time of booking.

We welcome all participants including those who may have a special need relating to their Academic Progress, Emotional or Behavioural difficulties, Sensory impairments or physical disabilities. We must be advised of any SEN requirement prior to confirming the booking so that we can discuss the resources, equipment and participant ratio to ensure it is suitable for all attending and that any arrangements can be assessed and provided.

Fires and Firewood

Ground fires, with the exception of the campfire circle or when under Our instruction in the purpose built Bushcraft area, are not permitted at any time

Firewood is not supplied as standard but is often available from the main campsite wood pile. Please use it conservatively & return any unused wood to the woodpile. No prepared wood to be removed from Our Bushcraft working area, no foraging of wood from anywhere else on site and standing timber must not be felled.

When using the campfire circle please ensure all fires are damped down & cleared as soon as is safe to do so.

Swedish torches or similar fires/candles etc are also not permitted on site.

Please use the designated/provided fire pits where possible or have yours approved by one of Our team before use.

Dogs and other Animals

Dogs or other animals are not allowed on site with the exception of assistance dogs or by express previous agreement. Owners of any permitted dogs must clean up after them.

Waste Disposal

All waste must be collected and securely tied in bin bags and placed in the large bin at the gate

Your Obligations

The Group Leader on the Invoice accepts responsibility for the general conduct of Your group throughout the term of the booking.

You shall take reasonable steps to minimise disturbance to other users & to the site neighbours where possible., Ensure that the language used by Your group is not foul or offensive. Adults accompanying the group agree to act 'in loco parentis' at all times. We shall only provide instruction during session times. Ensure all off limits/out of bounds and other site rules are adhered to.

No smoking on site except in the designated smoking areas which includes vapes and e-cigs

Insurance and Loss of Property

It is Your responsibility to arrange appropriate insurance against cancellation, personal accident, personal liability and theft. Rika Bushcraft only accepts liability for loss, damage or injury resulting from negligence by Rika Bushcraft.

Any person parking their vehicle in Our car park does so at their own risk

Media

Any & all photographs, videos, or other recorded media may be used by Us for marketing purposes without any payment. Please advise if any members of your group cannot be photographed at the start of any session.

Statement of Assumed Risk

Outdoor activities often involve learning new skills in unfamiliar environments. Participants and persons with parental responsibility must accept an element of risk.

Activities may result in bumps, scrapes and other minor injuries and whilst We follow our safety guides and risk assess each activity you accept the risk these activities pose when booking.