
	<p>WALKING</p> <p>(HILL)</p> <p>IN WINTER CONDITIONS</p>	 <p>Bracknell Forest Council</p>
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DESCRIPTION:

Walking and leading groups in terrain classed as mountain, moorland and hills.

This is a licensed activity under the Adventure Activities Licensing Authority (AALA), and providers of the activity who operate in a commercial manner must hold a licence. Anyone wishing to undertake these activities must make direct application to Bracknell Forest Council.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Mountain Leader Certificate (WINTER)

STAFFING RATIO:

Ratios may vary according to terrain and conditions but there should never be more than 1/8.

PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:

Warm clothing, windproof / water proof outer clothing, appropriate footwear and any other protective equipment depending on the weather conditions existing or forecast at the time of the activity.

HAZARDS:

- Weather conditions
- Hypothermia
- Slips and falls

GUIDANCE:

Winter conditions exist when there is any likelihood of snow and / or ice underfoot being present or forecast irrespective of the season or time of the year.

The leader must be an experienced hill walker who has attended a recognised training / assessment course relevant to the standard involved and to the season of the year. Leaders must have a thorough knowledge of the area being used.

OTHER INFORMATION:

Mountain Leader Training: <http://www.mountain-training.org/home-nations/england>

Basic Expedition Leadership: The British Sports Trust: <http://www.sportsleaders.org/>