



Completion Notes

Notification form for expeditions in normal country in the Peak District January 2011

It is strongly advised that **all** expeditions in normal country in the Peak District National Park are notified to the Peak Assessor Network. Your co-operation will help us to maintain the good relationship that exists between the DofE and the people that live and work in the Park.

How do I use this form?

- Please fill it in electronically or by hand. If handwriting please use capital letters.
- If the same campsites are being used by all teams, it is possible to use this form for more than one team.
- Please email this form back to peakdistrict@DofE.org or post back to the Peak Expedition Co-ordinator.

What should I send with this form?

- You do not need to send anything else with this form unless you require a response in which case please include a stamped self-addressed envelope for posted forms.

When should I send this form?

- **At least 4 weeks** before the start of the expedition.

Why is this form required?

- For informing the Peak Expedition Assessor Network about expeditions in normal country within the National Park.
- To enable the National Park Authority to gather statistics on the number of young people visiting the Park.
- To enable the Assessor Network to more closely understand the movement of DofE teams within the National Park.
- To enable us to target advice accordingly.

Why do we have to do this?

Due to the very large numbers of DofE teams coming into the Peak District National Park (over 2,000 each year), we need to be able to monitor activity more closely. In addition, it will enable us to target local advice more effectively. For example, if we know of an issue at a campsite you are planning to use, we will let you know.

What if I want to request a Network Assessor?

Use the **Green** wild country notification form because it provides more detailed information for the Assessor than does this Red Form. Notify us **at least 6 weeks** in advance of the start of the expedition, as per instructions on that form. This applies even if you are in normal country.

Where is Peak District normal country?

Most of the terrain under 400 metres in altitude on the Explorer OL 24 White Peak map is in DofE-designated 'normal country' and it is usual for Bronze and Silver teams to use this part of the Peak District for expeditions. In addition to this area on the OL 24 map, all the area up to northing 85 on the Explorer OL1 Dark Peak map is normal country, including the Mam Tor ridge. If you are coming to normal country and **not** requesting a Peak Expedition Assessor Network Assessor, please use this **Red Form**.

Where is Peak District wild country?

Wild country is currently defined as the area of land approximately equal to the access land north of the Edale Valley, or north of the 85 northing. The western and eastern boundaries are the 00 easting and the 30 easting on the OL1 map, and the northernmost boundary is the M62 on Explorer OL21 map. The introduction of the CROW Act and the publication of the moorlands map by Moors for the Future have now allowed us to include the higher parts of the Staffordshire moorlands, including the Roaches and the Goyt and Coombs Moss areas, for day one or day four in the case of Gold expeditions - shown on the Explorer OL 24 Map as access land. The 'edges' in the north eastern section of the Explorer OL 24 Map also offer some scope for the first half of day one or the last half of Day four in the case of Gold expeditions. It is possible to form a route which links these areas of the National Park to traditional Wild Country in the north. Bronze and Silver teams do NOT normally use these higher areas of the Staffordshire Moorlands and other access land areas for expeditions as shown on the OL 24 White Peak District map. If they plan to do so then the training should be at Gold standard. It is sometimes necessary to use campsites that lie a little outside of these approximate boundary lines to fit in with sensible route planning.

If you are coming to any of our Gold wild country areas (even if only part of the expedition is there) or if you have any doubts, always use the **Green** wild country notification form. Alternatively simply telephone the Peak Expedition Co-ordinator for advice.

Red Form

Operating Authority:	Date of departure / / Date of return / /
Name of DofE group (e.g. school name):	Number of teams this form is for:

Locations – please name your base and campsites as appropriate.		Date
Base (if applicable):		/ /
Start:		/ /
Campsite 1:		/ /
Campsite 2:		/ /
Finish:		/ /

DofE level:	Bronze <input type="checkbox"/>	Silver <input type="checkbox"/>	Practice expedition <input type="checkbox"/>	Qualifying expedition <input type="checkbox"/>
	Assessor's Accreditation Number:			
Mode of travel:	Foot <input type="checkbox"/>	Cycle <input type="checkbox"/>	Riding <input type="checkbox"/>	Other <input type="checkbox"/>
	If other mode of travel, please specify here:			

Team members	
Age range:	
Number of males:	Number of females:

Supervisor details	
Name:	
Position: (e.g. teacher)	
Organisation running expedition: (if different to group name)	
Location during expedition:	
Contact telephone numbers:	
During expedition:	
Before and after expedition:	
Email address:	

Form submitted by:	
Position:	
Date:	/ /

Please note that receipt of this form will only be acknowledged if there are specific problems or there is beneficial local advice. However, sending via email/including a stamped sae will normally ensure a response.
 DATA PROTECTION: The information provided will be held by the Peak Assessor Network for statistical purposes and occasional direct electronic mailings.
 Please tick here if you do not wish to be contacted in the future by the Peak Assessor Network's news items.