

Ambassador Schools Terms and Conditions

Ambassador School Eligibility:

- Schools must be inside or within half an hour journey of the Peak District National Park boundary
- Ambassador School status only applies to the single school named on the application form and not a group of schools (e.g. Academies)
- There are a limited number of Ambassador School places therefore not all eligible schools will be accepted onto the scheme.

Confirmation:

- On receiving a signed application form the Engagement Team will contact the school within 2 weeks to discuss the application.
- Acceptance to the Ambassador School Programme will be decided using both the application form and discussion.

Renewal

- Schools are required to renew their membership at the end of each academic year (once a full academic year of membership has occurred).
- Renewal is dependent upon the Peak District National Park receiving feedback on the scheme in the form of a survey in addition to photos and/or classwork showing participation in Ambassador School/Peak District based activities.

Fees, accreditation and use of logo

- 'Ambassador Schools' is a free product with no fees attached.
- On successful application as an Ambassador School the Authority will provide the Ambassador School logo and certificate for use by the school in promoting this partnership and the support for Authority's aims of conservation and (responsible) access. The applicant will not use the Logo for any other purpose without the Authority's prior approval.

Safeguarding:

- When using Ambassador School online resources and supporting materials or completing activities towards achieving Ambassador School status and the John Muir Award, responsibility lies with the school for ensuring adequate health and safety, Safeguarding, legal and insurance arrangements.
- All activities provided by the Peak District National Park will have their own risk assessments completed and the National Park instructors will be suitably trained. Activities completed on school grounds will still require school responsibility to ensure adequate health and safety, Safeguarding, legal and insurance arrangements.
- As an Authority, we carry out DBS checks on our paid staff members working with young people on a regular basis. We follow government eligibility guidance for our DBS checks which means

most of our volunteers do not require DBS checks due to nature of their roles. This includes our Ambassador Schools volunteers. All volunteers are reference checked from two independent character referees before they can begin supporting us and we also provide them safeguarding training and training modules for working with young people.

- Peak District National Park staff delivering activities on your school premises may require you to provide copies of your risk assessments for school grounds activity.

Eligibility for discount:

- Schools registered as Ambassador Schools will be eligible for 20% discount on our standard primary and secondary educational programmes at Macclesfield Forest, Longdendale Environmental Classroom, Crowden, North Lees Estate and Goyt Valley. *Discounted visits are not available at the Moorland Discovery Centre through this scheme.*
- To qualify for the discount schools must have completed the application process and have had a start-up conversation with a member of the Engagement Team to acknowledge the start of their Ambassador School programme and have been sent their certificate to display in school.
- Ambassador Schools visit must be booked after the start up conversation and cannot be applied retrospectively.
- Ambassador Schools must book any school visit through the normal booking process
- Ambassador Schools must indicate on the visit enquiry form that they are an Ambassador School and eligible for the 20% discount.
- Discounts are only applicable during the academic year period, term time only.

The Engagement Team, in its absolute discretion, may decide not to enforce one or more of these terms or conditions in which case this shall not be a waiver of them or of the right at any time to subsequently enforce all of these terms and conditions.

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