

DVWG – COVID-19 SAFETY BRIEF & RULES

1. Potential walk participants must not attend or attempt to attend a DVWG walk if they are experiencing any potential symptoms of COVID-19, e.g. loss of senses of smell or taste, high temperature, breathlessness or a new continuous cough.
2. Participants must pre-book a walk place due to the limited places available and the need to limit group sizes due to government social restrictions. If you have not pre-booked please do not attempt to attend.
3. DVWG operate a no-cash policy during current COVID-19 restrictions, walk subscriptions should be paid to DVWG by electronic means.
4. The use of public transport or car sharing should be avoided when travelling to and from walks. If this cannot be avoided, face masks should be used where appropriate and the same person should be travelled with on different walks.
5. Participants must agree to the safety rules required by the walk leader prior being permitted to commence the walk.
6. During the walk, observing social distancing is everyone's responsibility, any participant who flagrantly or repeatedly fails to observe social distancing may be excluded from a walk and all future walks at the walk leader's discretion. Walk leader's decision taken in the interests of safety will be deemed final.
7. During a walk participants should hand sanitise regularly, especially after touching gate posts, stiles or other common touch points.
8. During a walk, DVWG walk participants should always give way to other oncoming members of the public where contact is possible to maintain social distancing.
9. Walk participants should not share food, drink or equipment.
10. Lunch / refreshment walk stop places shall be selected to enable adequate social distancing to occur. Participants are expected to observe social distancing during such refreshment breaks.
11. The use of pubs and cafes during refreshment breaks not to be used at busy times, at discretion of walk leader.
12. Heightened hygiene should also to be practiced during refreshment breaks, e.g. sanitising/hand washing to be carried out.
13. First aid kit is carried on all walks by walk leaders, however unless essential first aid is deemed necessary, basic first aid, e.g. putting on plasters etc. to be self-administered.
14. Gloves and face masks to be provided in first aid kits in the event of first aid needing to be administered by walk leader, sub leader or other person present.
15. Generally the Walk Leader or Sub Leader shall take a safety-first approach to leading the walk. Instructions given by the walk leader must be adhered to. Participants who fail to follow suitable safety instruction shall be excluded from the walk and risk suspension from future walks.
16. Participant's telephone numbers will be shared with the walk leader for all walks they register to attend. This is to assist in track and trace in the event of an individual being tested positive for COVID-19. Walk leaders will delete the telephone number fourteen days after the walk occurred.

I have read and understood this document and will adhere to the contents

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