**Application and self-declaration form for sites and land to be covered by The Duke of Edinburgh’s Award Camping Exemption certificate**

**Details and location of site (please provide address and grid reference)**

Click or tap here to enter text.

**By signing this form, I commit to the following:**

1. The campsite is kept in good sanitary condition including acting responsibly when disposing of the content of the chemical toilets, waste water and refuse
2. The campsite is properly managed
3. Tents are used in a way as not to cause nuisance
4. DofE camping does not exceed 60 days in a 12 month period, and not more than 42 days consecutively
5. The site is not being used for camping by other organisations holding camping exemption certificates
6. The site is not subject to a direction under article 4 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995
7. Providing a Code of Conduct for DofE groups using the site, outlining behaviour expectations and referencing the DofE’s Environmental Impact Policy (see Appendix 1)

The DofE reserves the right to check the site at any time, and will follow up on any complaint or feedback received by users of the site or members of the public.

Failure to adhere to any of the conditions above will result in immediate removal from use of The Duke of Edinburgh’s Award Camping Exemption Certificate.

On receipt of this form, permission for exemption is provided until October 2023, unless a site does not adhere to the conditions above, or The Duke of Edinburgh’s Award rescinds its certificate (in which case 3 months’ notice will be provided).

**Signature** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Name (please print)** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Date** Click or tap to enter a date.

**Contact Number** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Email** Click or tap here to enter text.

**Please return this form to** **info@DofE.org**

**If the DofE is not in receipt of a fully completed form, the site will not be covered by the Camping Exemption certificate.**

**Appendix 1**

**Environmental Impact Policy**

The Duke of Edinburgh’s Award aims to provide a programme of development for all young people long into the future. Therefore, sustainability of our environment is essential. In light of this we have developed an environmental impact policy, which we all commit to.

The environmental impact policy aims to:

* Promote sustainable use of the outdoor environment.
* Enhance partnerships with the wider community
* Educate participants about the natural environment and local area.
* Conserve global resources

# Promoting sustainable use of the outdoor environment

* Exercise care and concern for the environment, in line with the Countryside/Scottish Outdoor Access, Highway and Water Sports Codes
* Monitor locations used for environmental damage
* Consider modifying the use of locations to reduce damage
* Consider assisting with the repair and maintenance of sites, especially if our activities have significantly contributed to that damage

# Enhancing partnerships with the wider community

* Respect the interests of others, especially those who live, work, manage or carry out their recreation in the environment of our activities
* Comply with bylaws and access agreements
* Liaise with landowners, local communities and other organisations over any activities, which may affect them or the land over which they have control, or an interest in
* Be sensitive to the potential and actual impact of our operation on an area or community
* Follow the Countryside/Scottish Outdoor Access, Highway and Water Sports Codes

**Educating participants about the natural environment and local area**

* Promote awareness and respect for the natural environment.
* Encourage greater understanding of the natural world and the cultural setting of the surroundings
* Educate participants as to the appropriate way to enjoy, explore, move or live in the countryside

**Conserving global resources**

* Reducing our use of global resources and recycling waste products
* Using products and materials that support the ethos of the DofE
* Using materials from sustainable sources and recycled materials
* Using environmentally efficient methods such as eDofE and other online resources