

Hello and thank you for considering BF Adventure,

I would like to make you aware and to inform you of the associated risks, control measures and responsibilities involved in Activities at BF Adventure. BF Adventure requires all users to give consent and accept that all programmes have inherited risks. BF Adventure will record this via registration and joining paperwork (Including Medical Information) and the person responsible for making the booking will sign that they understand and have communicated the risks as identified in this statement and have obtained permission as appropriate for users to take part in activities.

This statement can be used by group leaders to inform parents, guardians and users of the risks and can be kept for future reference as necessary. (BF Adventure does not require this completed statement to be returned although group leaders may wish to use this to inform parents / guardians and / or to collect parent/guardian permission via sign off section at end of document below.)

About BF Adventure

BF Adventure is a charity based Outdoor Pursuits centre situated in a converted disused quarry. We have engineered specialist environments to support fun and educational activities that incorporate traditional outdoor pursuits to be enjoyed by everyone despite their age, gender or ability. People attending BF Adventure will be taking part in activities in one or more of these specialist environments:

Water based activity such as canoeing, kayaking, coasteering and raft building

These activities are led by qualified instructors and all required personal protective equipment (PPE) such as personal flotation devices and safety equipment are provided as standard

High activities such as zip wire, climbing, Via Ferrata and abseiling

These activities are instructed by qualified instructors and all PPE such as harnesses are provided and maintained to industry standards

Land based activities such as archery, games and bush craft

Staff are trained in house by seasoned instructors with a wealth of experience

People with disabilities

BF Adventure is able to adapt our activities to suit a wide range of range of needs making activities more accessible (the degree of access will be dependent upon individual need and support requirements). We encourage pre visit planning to make sure expectations and safety are carefully

managed with the aim of providing positive long lasting experiences.

General site

We aspire to keep the site as natural as possible to allow the same sense of adventure and connection to nature we want everyone to experience which includes rugged and in places uneven terrain. We have a range of approaches and equipment to aid people accessing various parts of the site.

Facilities

BF Adventure has a range which includes access around the site solutions, toilet and shower facilities, accommodation facilities, adaptive equipment for activities and equipment / strategies for moving and transferring participants. BF adventure also has close links to other third party organisations who can provide additional specialist equipment to further improve our provision

Weather

We operate in all weathers where safe to do so and all users are supported to immerse themselves in experiences and activities as much as possible. We have basecamp rooms, rain shelters and can provide basic equipment to make the experience as comfortable as possible.

Activities

Our goal is to provide a great sense of adventure that is built around the needs of participants. Inherently, the risks associated can be vastly different from user to user so activities may need to be adapted and some may not be suitable simply based around the user's physical and emotional needs. BF Adventure will ask for a more detailed medical form to be completed pre visit so suitable advice and care plans can be set in place.



Acceptance of Risk Statement v3.2

Acceptance of risk statement

BF Adventure operates activities that involve an element of risk. It is our inherent belief that exposure to risk in a managed and controlled environment educates, develops and provides opportunity for enjoyment and growth and as such holds tremendous value to participants.

BFA commitment-We aim to manage the risk to an acceptable level through planning, training and monitoring. We will seek and listen to feedback from our users and external professionals. We reserve the right to alter plans should external factors such as the weather change the level of risk. BF Adventure will listen to the concerns of participants and will only encourage people to participate as far as they feel comfortable.

For people with disabilities and / or additional medical needs these risks may be inherently greater and where necessary we will ensure that more detailed risk assessment takes place before users are engaged in activities. Where practical and when needs are identified early enough, BF Adventure will fully support and facilitate a free of charge site visit to look at the venue, programme and activities with the user and family / care professionals to agree a safe plan based around the best needs of the users.

Parent / guardian / group leader commitment- All participants (including those under your responsibility) that use BF Adventure do so knowing that they enter a risk managed environment or have permission from someone who has parental responsibility to enter this environment and understand that taking part in activities may result in injuries. Participants agree to wilfully disclose information that may increase the risk level of the activity or would lead to a negative experience. Participants also agree to abide to instructions, safety notices and only access parts of the site they have been given express permission to do so. Failure to abide by these may result in major injury and or death.

For return to Group Leader/responsible person (if requested):

I understand and accept the risks associated and agree to give my permission for the above named person to participate fully in activities at BF Adventure

Participant Name:

Parent / guardian name (if under 18)

Relationship to Participant:

Date:

Sign: