



General Site Info & Rules



Arrivals & Departures

The Drum Hill Service Team are all volunteers. Arrivals are possible after 18:00 during the week and after 10:00 at the weekend. Departure on Sunday must be by 16:00.

Upon arrival, please check-in with our friendly team at reception.

If the reception cabin is closed, please use the phone in the green box on the side of the reception cabin to contact a member of the Site Service Team.

If you have booked one of the residential buildings, it may be possible to arrange access before 18:00 during the week, but this must be arranged with the bookings administrator in advance.

On arrival, a member of the site services team will show you around any buildings you have booked, and inspect them prior to departure.



Parking, Vehicles and Access with Equipment

Everyone should park in the main car park upon arrival. If you need assistance transferring your equipment to your site, please contact a member of the Service Team upon arrival. Please let the bookings administrator know of any specific requirements in advance of your arrival (email: bookings@drumhill.org.uk).



If you need to take your vehicle onto site, please contact a member of the on-duty Service Team.

The site speed limit is 5mph. All vehicles are to have their hazard warning lights on while driving around site.

We don't allow campers vehicles onto the camping fields under any circumstances.



Accidents and Out-of-Hours Contact

Please report all accidents on site to a member of the crew on duty, either in the Staff Hut or via the phone in the green box at reception.



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Use of Alter Fires

There are permanent stone altar fires on all of our camping fields. We do not allow ground fires anywhere on site. If you intend to cook on open fires, please ensure that:

- You have a fire bucket, or other suitable means to extinguish the fire (and that someone knows how to use it)
- The fire is supervised at all times by a suitable adult
- The fire is a sensible size for the task in hand



We cannot guarantee that our wood pile will be stocked all year round. Group members collecting wood from the woodpile must wear sensible boots while doing so. All unused wood must be returned to the wood pile.



Site Boundaries

Although we all accept that a large part of being on camp is the freedom to explore the site, there are a few limitations to this at Drum Hill.

- Users are not permitted to climb over walls or fences
- We recommend that young people are supervised in the wooded area below the building line.

If you find any of the site walls or fences that have been damaged, please report this to a member of the service team.



Gas & Generators

We can provide replacement gas bottles and help with any problems you may have with your cooking appliances.

We do not allow generators anywhere on site.



Lights-Out

“Quiet Hours” on site are 23:00 – 07:00. Please keep noise to an absolute minimum during these hours.



Recycling

Please separate your rubbish as much as possible and deposit in sealed bags into the large wheely-bins as indicated.

BLUE: General Waste

YELLOW: Cardboard + Plastic

RED: Metal + Glass



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Fireworks and Amplified Music

Fireworks and amplified music are only allowed with prior approval. Please contact the bookings office for more information.



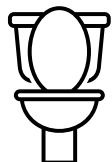
Security on Site

Please be vigilant during your stay on site and report any suspicious activity to a member of the service team as soon as possible.



Site Provideore

This is usually open on Saturday between 14:00 – 16:00 and Sunday between 10:00 – 12:00 during the main camping season, but can be opened at other times by prior arrangement.



Toilets

Please report any issues with the toilets (or any other facilities on site) to a member of the service team as soon as possible.

Food Deliveries

If you are arranging for supermarket food deliveries to site, please ensure that they have all your correct contact information and that they do not turn up on site before 6pm during the week.

It is also extremely helpful to let us know the name under which this has been booked, as then we know where to direct the delivery driver when they arrive on site.

We will not accept any responsibility for any food deliveries – you must ensure that you are on-site **before** the delivery arrives.



Use of Knives



What is the Scout policy on the use of knives?

Knives should be considered as a tool and treated as such. Those who are going to use them should get training for their use, as you would for a saw or an axe.

Knives are an offensive weapon so great care should be taken when dealing with them. When undertaking training at the Scout HQ, knives should be taken to and from Scouts by an adult. When taking a knife to camp, they should be securely stowed in the middle of the rucksack or bag.

If you consider a knife as a tool, then you should use the appropriate tool for the job. The vast majority of Scout use will only require the use of a pen or clasp knife for the cutting of string, cooking or whittling. Where you have a larger task, such as splitting wood, a larger knife such as a sheath knife may be appropriate. If you relate this to axes, you would not use a hand axe to fell a tree, nor a felling axe to split wood.

There is an issue with regard to clasp knives and lock knives. A lock knife is one where the blade stays open unless some mechanism is used to close the blade. In the eyes of the Law, this is more of an offensive weapon than a standard clasp knife because of this multiple action. From a safety point of view, a lock knife cannot fold onto the users fingers and may be better.

The carriage of knives is also to be considered. If a knife is considered as a tool, you would only really carry the knife when there is an expectation to use the tool, after all, you wouldn't carry an axe around a campsite on the off chance of coming across some wood to chop. Therefore, knives when not being used should be stowed away until such time as they are needed. Legally, you are not allowed to carry a knife in a public place without lawful authority or reasonable excuse. A campsite, which may technically be private property as it is owned by a District or County, is considered as public property because of its use. Knives should not be carried unless they are going to be used, and should be put away when not in use.

<https://members.scouts.org.uk/supportresources/1515/what-is-the-scout-policy-on-the-use-of-knives>