



Smoking/Vaping, Substance and Alcohol Use Policy

Addendum No. 12.

Ref:use of tobacco

Dundonald Elim DofE Award Centre operates an anti smoking, anti substance and anti alcohol use policy for those engaged in DofE activities. This is for both health and safety reasons.

Due to the individual and group health and safety implications involved, DEDEAC will take a very firm line with regard to substance abuse.

All Dr. perscribed medical drugs to be carried on a practice or expedition or other outdoor activity must be declared in the permission to take part document Addendum 8 and physically presented to the group leader before any event. If perscribed drugs or medication changes over time thay must the Team Leader must also be made aware of the change.

No other form of non-perscribed drug, substance or alcohol will be acceptable on an practice or expedition, and if such is found at any stage it will be confiscated. Anyone suspected of being in breach of this policy misuse will be removed from the DEDEAC programme immediately, parents/guardians will be informed and they will be responsible for the participants return home with immediate effect.

All participants may be subject to spot checks of themselves and their equipment if there are indications of misuse.

The Award Centre adopts a “No Smoking/Vaping” policy in its buildings, vehicles, while under canvas or in the close proximity of other participants. Smoking/Vaping in areas where the surrounding ground or vegistation is dry is regarded as a fire hazard. This presentes an unacceptable safety risk, and will therefore not be tolerated. Tobacco butts and Vap parafanalia must be lifted and carried of the mountain with the other waste products; food wrappings, cans etc.

Smoking under the age of 16 is discouraged and may be reported to parents.

Smoking while participating in any activity and while wearing equipment on loan from DEDEAC is not permitted. **Any** damage to equipment will be paid for by the participant.