

Commercial Activity Terms and Conditions and Code of Conduct

The Conservators of Ashdown Forest reserve the right to suspend permits for breach of the terms and conditions. Licences should be available to show to the Forest Rangers if they request it.

You will need to provide electronic copies of the following documents for your application to be processed:

1. Evidence of Public Liability Insurance £5m
2. A signed and dated Risk Assessment to cover your sessions
3. A brief written policy on your emergency procedures (First Aid, Accident Reporting)

When submitting each of the above documents, please ensure that your business name is clearly stated in each file name.

Activities *are* permitted on:

- Grassland.
- Fire breaks – these are the unmarked tracks across the Forest, cut and maintained to a width of more than 9 metres (30 feet).

Equipment:

- No large items of equipment shall be used on the Authority's land.
- Any forest structures including trees and furniture must not be used as part of the activity.

Forest "No Go" Activities:

The following activities are not to be conducted by Licensees:

- Amplified music or audio equipment, whistles and loud shouting or other intrusive noise-generating activities
- Aggressive, intimidating or unreasonably noisy training activities that interferes with the comfort of other visitors
- Use of objects that mark out an area to imply exclusive use
- Use of Drones

You may *not* undertake your activity:

- on heathland unless on one of the above fire-breaks or tracks
- on footpaths or any unmarked narrow track
- in car parks
- on tracks and roads leading to private properties or the fire breaks surrounding private properties
- on recreation grounds or on the Royal Ashdown Forest Golf Club courses
- on grazing areas close to livestock
- in streams and ponds
- on the Authority's Property, for example benches, tables, trees, gates, bridges, signposts, lamp posts etc unless used for their intended purpose

In certain circumstances for a walking group or similar activity a specific route including some of the above will be considered.

Please:

- Help protect the Forest by varying your location, by avoiding wet and badly eroded areas, by keeping to the permitted fire breaks and tracks and by keeping out of the sensitive heather areas.
- Be aware of ground nesting birds and avoid areas of heathland habitat between March and September.
- Be aware of the rough and sometimes slippery nature of the terrain and remember that drainage ditches cross tracks
- Be considerate and courteous to all other Forest users and give dog walkers time to put their dogs on the lead
- Report all incidents as detailed below or any matter that you feel is worrying or important
- All litter or waste produced by the activity and/or the participants must be removed from the site

Please help us by calling 01342 822846 as soon as possible if you see injured or distressed livestock (including deer), incidents of sheep worrying, lost or out of control dogs, fires, fly-tipping or any other incident that you feel may be important.

Licensees and participants use the Forest at their own risk.