



Corporate Volunteer Days

Frequently Asked Questions

Corporate Volunteer Days are enjoyable and fun. To get the most out of the day here are a few frequently asked questions to help you and your team prepare:

1. **What happens on the day?**

You will be met by a member of our Ranger team who will guide you through your day of volunteering. They will be on hand to answer questions and supervise your volunteering activities.

After an introduction on the task to be done you will have a short 'toolbox talk' to cover all health and safety aspects of your day.

It is then time to get on with the job. Be prepared to get mucky and undertake a reasonable level of physical activity – but that's part of the challenge and hopefully you will have a lot of fun along the way.

2. **What are the lunchtime arrangements?**

Please bring your own packed lunches and drinks. Volunteer days can be hard work so make sure everyone brings enough food to keep them going, and enough to drink (this is especially important on hot days).

We can provide facilities for making hot drinks only if the site allows.

3. **What arrangements for welfare facilities are there?**

In the majority of cases tasks will be situated in the countryside and there will be no public conveniences on site. Hand wash/wipes, bottled water, and towel will be provided at every site. If there are no toilets within 15 minutes drive of the site temporary facilities will be provided.

4. **What should we bring with us?**

We provide all tools, materials and any necessary personal protective clothing for the day (e.g. gloves etc). All you need is to wear clothes you don't mind getting dirty and are suitable for the weather conditions. Warm clothes and waterproofs in case it is cold and wet. Sunhats and sun-cream in case the sun shines! If a particular task has any specific requirements we will let you know before the day.

A packed lunch and drinks are essential.

5. Is there a cost to our organisation?

We ask companies to make a donation to the National Park for our corporate volunteering opportunities. For a maximum group size of 10 we suggest a donation of £500. We will send you an invoice for the donation after your day of volunteering.

6. Recognition for our organisation?

We are more than happy for you to put signs/ banners on site to let members of the public know who you work for and that this is your volunteering 'day to make a difference'.

We also welcome any media coverage that your organisation would like to put out, and can coordinate this with our own.

7. Will the team be covered by insurance?

All volunteers are covered under the Authorities' Public and Employer's Liability Insurance. There will be a trained first aider on site at all times.

8. How to I declare a medical condition or other factors that may affect my volunteering?

The health & safety of volunteers is of paramount importance to us. Corporate Volunteer Days can involve strenuous physical activity. It is important that any disabilities, medical conditions, allergies or any other factor which may affect your volunteering are disclosed to your leader on the day.

All information helps us to ensure that you do not place your own, or any other individual's health, safety or welfare at risk and will be treated in the strictest confidence.

9. Photographs?

During the course of the day we may take photographs of the work being carried out and may use these on our website or other YDNPA publications. Please let us know if you are not happy to let us do this.

THANK YOU FOR VOLUNTEERING.

BY GIVING YOUR TIME YOU ARE HELPING TO LOOK AFTER THE

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