

Cambridgeshire Bedfordshire and Peterborough Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Expedition Leader Qualification Requirements

Assessed Ventures

Minimum staffing of 2 staff per venture
(In the instance of a single group the second member of staff can be a "Reliable Adult")

Environment	Group	Requirements For Supervising Leader	Leader Qualifications
Normal Countryside	1 Group	Qualified Leader	ABEL or Higher
	up to 2 Groups	Qualified Leader + 1 Reliable Adult	ABEL or Higher
 1 Group Trained and Recognised Leader	
Open Countryside / non mountainous Wild Country	1 Group	Qualified Leader	WGL or Higher
	up to 2 Groups	Qualified Leader + 1 Reliable Adult	WGL or Higher
 1 Group Trained and Recognised Leader	
Mountainous / Wild Country	1 Group	Qualified Leader	ML
	+ 1 Group	Trained and Recognised Leader	WGL assessed ML Training (working in close proximity)

Notes:

1. Where a National Governing Body Award is shown, as the Leader Qualification, **an Assessment must have been successfully completed.**
2. **First Aid:** All staff, at any leader status **must** hold a current first aid certificate, minimum of 4-hour course.

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Definitions for Assessed Ventures

Qualified Leader: A person who holds a National Governing Body qualification, either Award in Basic Expedition Leadership (ABEL), Walking Group Leader (WGL), Mountain Leader Award (ML) (summer or winter), Mountain Instructor Award or Mountain Instructor Certificate or Mountain Guide. The qualified leader has full responsibility for all groups under their direction.

Trained Leader: A person who has completed training, but has not yet enough experience to gain recognition

Trained and Recognised Leader: A Person who has completed WGL, or ML training course or achieved exemption from training, submitted a logbook to the Outdoor Education Adviser who will recognise their experience.

Reliable adult: a person who is deemed competent to carry out support tasks and actively support a qualified leader supervising groups (max 2) whilst on qualifying expeditions. The qualified leader has overall responsibility for the expedition groups. The leader must define the tasks for the person fulfilling this role. This person must be assigned support tasks commensurate with their skills and abilities.

First Aid: All staff **must** hold a current first aid certificate, minimum of 4-hour course. (an exception to this may be the reliable adult),

Group Size:

Assessed Venture: Group size is set at a maximum of 7 participants

A Venture: is defined as a group participating in an assessed expedition. This definition also applies to several groups taking part in assessed expeditions from the same DEA unit, on the same dates in the same area.

Environments:

Normal Countryside:

Cultivated Land, low lying rural countryside, valleys or forest and gentle to moderate terrain with no steep slopes not more than 30 mins normal walking time from a refuge or road

Open Countryside//non mountainous wild country

Uncultivated land, non mountainous, hilly terrain known as upland, moor, bog, fell or down, semi remote
i.e. Dark Peak Area, North York Moors, Black Mountains

Mountainous,

Wild Country: Steep Mountainous and /or remote country i.e., Snowdonia, Lake District, Highlands

All expedition activity comes under the leadership framework