Adventurous Activity Supervisor Minimum Competencies Policy

DofE Journey Planning Pack

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Auckland Challenge recognizes the need to set Minimum requirements all persons leading an Adventurous Activity must meet. This helps to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all participants on the journey. In order to be eligible to lead an Adventurous Activity the supervisor must meet the minimum requirements specified below.

Auckland Challenge recognizes that the requirements for an employee or contractor are over and above what is practical for a Volunteer leading a small group of participants. In order to keep the Award accessible Auckland Challenge sets a lower requirement for volunteers taking out a small group of known participants on low risk journeys such as friend groups. These requirements ONLY apply to volunteers leading a journey with the following criteria:

* All participants must be personally known to the volunteer
* The journey is undertaken by a family or friend group where all participants are known to each other, and does not accept external registrations or enrollments
* The journey is not carried out for hire or monetary gain past what is reasonably acceptable to cover costs incurred by the supervisor
* The journey is not carried out by a registered company, society or other organization with legal status.

The volunteer supervisor MUST:

* Have undertaken the planned route prior to the journey OR where it is not reasonably practical to do so, have actively participated in an Adventurous Activity equivalent in environment, terrain, skill and conditions, AND carried out thorough investigation into the planned route, its environment, and conditions
* Have actively participated in the planned journey activity prior and be competent in its execution OR engage a third party provider to carry out instruction for that section of the Adventurous Activity
* Submit to a Police vet if requested by the guardian of any participant
* Not carry out any water or alpine activities without engaging a third party industry provider
* Not carry out any bush based activities if the supervisor has not actively participated in a minimum 2 bush based overnight tramps within the past 2 years.
* Agree to Auckland Challenge’s Code of Conduct.

These competencies are subject to the discretion of the Auckland Challenge Manager and Expedition coordinator