



(Eshton Grange)

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Dear

Thank you for your enquiry regarding camping at Eshton Grange. Our centre is open all year round, apart from the Christmas period.

Camping charges are £1.00 per person, per night, there is a stand pipe on the land. We do not supply any camping equipment or toilet facilities. (We do have a disposal area for waste.)

Our surroundings are particularly suited to environmental and geographical studies as well as outdoor pursuits, and visiting groups are welcome to use the land, nature area and outside areas free of charge.

Prior to your visit, we operate a policy of meeting staff from any group to discuss basic standards expected from visiting groups and to allow you to see the facilities available. If you would like to arrange a visit at your convenience please contact the Centre manager on the telephone number above.

We also require certain information to help us assess your application, i.e. details regarding staff experience /qualifications together with confirmation that staff have been checked for their suitability to work with children by the Disclosure Barring Service . Also indicate the age range of children that you are wishing to bring on the visit.

Once the inevitable paperwork has been dealt with, you will then be free to make bookings at your convenience.

I have included a variety of information regarding the centre and its facilities, however if you would like any further information please feel free to contact the centre.

Yours Sincerely

Secretary
(On behalf of the trustees)

H&S Guidelines for Camping and Open fires

Tents

Many tents still made from traditional materials (such as cotton canvas) are easily available, and are easily set alight. Nylon tentage fabric usually has a lower flammability. Materials are sometimes especially treated to make them more resistant to ignition but often this treatment is not durable as it can be leached-out by exposure to water.

- Allow at least 5m spacing between tents.
- Never use candles in or near a tent-use a torch.
- Discourage smoking totally.
- Flammable liquids should be kept outside the tents.

Open Fires

If you are having a fire:

- Do not set up anywhere near sleeping tents.
 - A fire stack should be made so that it will collapse inward when burning.
 - Watch for flying embers and sparks.
 - Do not leave the fire unattended.
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- Never use petrol or paraffin to start or revive a fire.
 - NEVER, when burning rubbish, throw used aerosols or LPG containers on the fire.
 - When leaving the campsite make sure the fire is put out and there are no smouldering or hot ashes- cover the fire with earth.
 - NEVER build a fire in a forest or wood or on peat, as all these sites can continue to burn underground and unseen.

PLEASE LEAVE THE SITE CLEAN AND READY FOR THE NEXT USER GROUP AS YOU FOUND IT.

DO NOT LEAVE ANYTHING BEHIND AFTER YOU.

Camp rules

Maximum of 10 tents on each camp area

Only adults who have familiarised themselves with the use and safety sheets for camping stoves should Children and young people must be supervised at all times. Especially in the vicinity of Eshton Beck.

Do not pollute Eshton Beck - wastewater must be disposed of in a soak away.

The camp site must be kept clean and tidy at all times - dispose of all litter in allocated bins.

Staff will be expected to empty chemical toilets and bins on a daily basis.
(Centre staff will advise on correct disposal of wastes.)

Open fires should only be held in the fire area provided.
Wood for fires may be available from the centre manager and should not be collected from adjacent woodland, which does not belong to the Trust.

Respect the site boundaries at all times.
(Please see site plan enclosed.)
use this equipment. They should only be used within the confines of the fixed camping shelter!

Under no circumstances should staff or children be allowed to smoke, or have cause for naked flames under canvas - THIS IS AN EXTREME FIRE HAZARD.

Tents should be erected at a minimum distance of 25 from the bonfire area, and a minimum of 5m apart to minimise the risk and spread of fire.

Please respect the site boundary at all times
(The **RED** outline)

