

Duke of Edinburgh Award.

Gold Expedition Provision Programme 2018.

Re: Licensed Organisation.



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## Information

At **EDGE-ucation** we believe that an 9-day programme is the minimum amount of time required for a safe and successful Gold D of E experience, this is for those who have completed Silver or can demonstrate relevant approved prior learning (APL).

The expeditions take place in Snowdonia. The Practice Expedition is in the area around Cadair Idris and the Final Expedition starts on the North Coast in Conwy and moves South through Snowdonia.

The programme comprises a total of 9 days including online planning. The training is a mixture of some theory but is largely practically based.

All Staff are very experienced at running and leading D of E. For the full scope and capabilities of their experience, please refer to our policy document. 'I believe we have the most highly qualified and experienced Staff of any other provider'.

Our operating procedures are detailed in the attached policy document.

## Provision

Please see the programme on page 2.

At **EDGE-ucation** we provide all group equipment comprising of high quality two/three-person dome tents. Very efficient Gas Trangia stoves (gas not supplied).

An agreement is required from your licensed provider to cover the cost of damage to equipment loaned if above normal wear and tear.

We cover the cost of camp sites on expedition and the hire facilities on training days. We also supply maps at a ratio of one to two.

We don't include transport.

Other equipment such as rucksacks, sleeping mats, waterproofs, boots and compasses can all be hired from us if required.

Assessment of the final expedition is included using accredited assessors. Assessment reports will be sent as a downloadable pdf file or if preferred, directly to the student's e-portal.

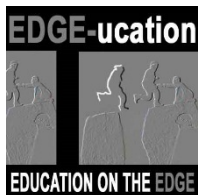
## Costings

Based on the above provision the **total cost** for the full programme is **£345.00** per student. (including bed & breakfast accommodation)

For just one day training plus the practice expedition and online module is **£155.00** per student.

For just one day training plus the online planning module and final assessed expedition is **£265.00** per student. (including bed & breakfast accommodation)

An optional assessment leading to the NNAS Silver Navigation Award is available for an additional £25.00, this is a nationally recognised qualification and is a useful add on to the D of E Expedition.



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**Programme.**

At **EDGE-ucation** we believe that an eight-day programme is the minimum amount of time required for a safe and successful Gold D of E experience for those who have completed Silver or can demonstrate relevant approved prior learning (APL).

Activity	Dates and Times	Location	Delivery & Content
Introduction/Launch.	Online programme <b>OR</b> Evening session – date to be agreed.	Online or licensed providers location.	Familiarisation and Introduction to what's required for the expedition section of the award. All details, expedition package and required maps.
A fully accompanied day with a member of Staff and your expedition group, working on navigation and hill skills.  Also incorporating -  Emergency Procedures. Expedition First Aid.	Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> <b>OR</b> Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> April 2018.  Meet 10.00am. Depart 4.30pm	Berwyn Mountains near Llangollen.  Or to suit the geographical location of your licensed organisation.	A fully accompanied day with a member of Staff and your expedition group, working on navigation and hill skills.  Application of Emergency Procedures given a practical scenario to sort.  Full details regarding exact location and requirements will be provided on booking.
Practice planning.	Online programme <b>OR</b> Evening session – date to be agreed.	Online or licensed providers location.	Practice planning.
Practice Expedition.	Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> to Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2018. Time etc. TBC on booking.	Snowdonia.  Starting and finishing from Barmouth.	As detailed sheets given on booking.  It is usual for students to use the railway which conveniently stops at Barmouth for the start and finish.
Final planning.	Online programme <b>OR</b> Evening session – date to be agreed.	Online or licensed providers location.	Complete final planning, establish execution and timescale of expedition purpose.
Final Expedition.	Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July to Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> July 2018.	Snowdonia. Starting out from Conwy Youth Hostel and finishing near Beddgelert.	As detailed sheets given on booking. It is usual for students to use the train to Conwy and then return on a different line from Porthmadog station. <b>NOTE</b> -Gold expedition groups must arrive in the area the day before the start of the final expedition. Included in the cost is Bed and Breakfast accommodation at Conwy Youth Hostel.

If you are a licensed organisation and none of these dates are suitable please contact us for a bespoke course with dates to suit.