

Mountain Devils Walker Guidelines.

These guidelines have been developed by the Mountain Devils as a guide for walkers undertaking club walks and are derived from guidelines issued by the Bushwalking NSW Inc.

PRIOR TO WALK:

1. Ensure that you are fit enough for the degree of difficulty of the walk. If in doubt discuss with the leader well prior to the walk.
2. Arrive at starting point on time.
3. Carry sufficient water for conditions of walk, generally a minimum of two litres or more in hotter conditions.
4. Ensure you are suitably equipped including first aid kit, sunscreen, hat, food, rain gear, whistle, torch and appropriate clothing and footwear. A map and compass may also enhance your enjoyment of the walk.
5. Ensure you complete the sign on sheet after reading the Risk Waiver and noting any risk warnings.
6. Remember to bring a sense of humour and adventure. Our leaders are all volunteers so please remember to be patient and kind.

DURING THE WALK:

1. Follow the leader's instructions. Remember your leader has your welfare at heart. Be courteous, co-operative and helpful to other walkers in the group. Follow Bushwalking NSW Bushwalkers' Code.
2. Generally you should not leave the walk early unless prearranged, but if it is necessary you must advise the leader and if requested, sign off on the activity sign on sheet. You must accept a leader's decision to send someone with you to accompany you out.
3. Do not allow yourself to become separated from the group. If experiencing any difficulty such as pace, blisters, shortage of water, advise the leader immediately. Participants should maintain a line of sight with people in front and behind them.
4. Car-pooling is recommended. Contribute to car costs if you are a passenger in another member's vehicle.
5. It is your responsibility to allow sufficient distance between yourself and the walker in front so that you are not injured by branches flicking back.
6. Do not leave the track, if on a track walk, or fall behind the person appointed 'tail' for any reason without advising the 'tail'. If you must leave the trail in a hurry you must drop your backpack on the trail in plain sight.

AT THE END OF THE WALK:

1. Ensure the leader is aware you have made it to the end.
2. Remember to thank the leader (most important).