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 Confederation of Bushwalking Clubs 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 Confederation's Bushwalkers' Code.
- 2. Generally you should not leave the walk early unless pre-arranged, 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).