



Newday Group Behaviour Policy

At Newday we want to prioritise the safety and wellbeing of all that attend. As the event has grown and developed we now have thousands of delegates coming from a diverse mix of ages, backgrounds, cultures and lifestyles. We see and celebrate the beauty of this and are aware of the challenges it can also bring with such a mix of people being together.

To help keep the event as safe and supported as it can be, we ask all in attendance to agree to work within some defined principles. Every delegate onsite is expected to follow the Newday behaviour policy and should understand that participating in any behaviour that undermines it will result in being asked to leave the Newday festival.

The Group Coordinator is responsible for ensuring that all members of their group are aware of and adhere to this policy and are ultimately responsible for the supervision and behaviour of the delegates in their group. Whilst Newday have operational and pastoral teams available, young people remain the responsibility of their group leaders at all times during the event.

Our Newday behaviour principles are as follows:

1. No criminal activity:

- Violence: this includes, physical or verbal aggression towards others and being in possession of any harmful weapon
- Theft
- No non-prescription drugs or alcohol on site.
- No smoking onsite.
- No sexual behaviour. This includes groping or touching another person without consent.
- No verbal harassment. This includes unwanted sexual questions, or verbal intimidation.
- No breaking or entering into restricted areas including site buildings, venues not in use and other group's marquees or tents
- No vandalism
- Any form of discrimination: including treating another person unfairly based on their age, disability, gender, race, religion or sexual orientation
- No littering, use bins provided

2. Maintain Newday expectations:

Daytime

- No young person is allowed off site without an accompanying adult
- No visitors are allowed on site without booking in through the main gate



- Leaders to be aware of their young people's activities and movements around site and supervise where appropriate
- No use of mobile phones in any toilet or shower blocks at any time
- Dress appropriately, modest in appearance, no beach wear or showing of underwear. No balaclavas.

Night time

- All delegates should be on their own site and quiet from 11.30pm, if a person needs to go to the toilet in the night, they should use one closest to their site and under 12's and those with additional needs should always be accompanied by an adult
- We expect tents to have delegates of the same gender staying in them. The only exception of this would be if members of the same family are sharing a tent together. No members of the same gender that are known to be in a relationship together should share the same tent
- Adults should not share tents with young people who they are not related to
- After curfew no groups of more than 3 should be walking to and from the toilets together
- A designated responsible adult should be on night duty for each youth group. This person should be contactable by their young people and the Newday operational team throughout the night

Accessibility

- It is the group coordinators' responsibility to ensure all youth leaders within their church are aware of each child's accessibility requirements/additional needs and how to support them. This information should also be passed to the Accessibility Team a minimum of 4 weeks before the start of Newday so the team have time to do all they can to help children/young people access the event.

3. Respect

- Positive mutual respect is expected across the camp at all times and between all attending.

4. Safeguarding

- All adults on site must have read the Newday safeguarding policy and have an up to date DBS check and a church leader's reference
- The Group Coordinator is assumed to be the person responsible for Safeguarding for your group, please tell us if you have someone else on your team acting in this capacity by emailing safeguarding@newdaygeneration.org