

## MEDICAL TREATMENT POLICY

Due to the nature of the challenges and adventure offered by Scouting activities, there is the risk of injury to the young people taking part.

All leaders are trained and authorised to give treatment for injuries, in line with standard first aid practice (e.g. plasters for cuts, cold water for burns). A first aid kit is always available for this purpose and appropriate items will be taken or made available on all external activities. Parents will be informed of any treatment undertaken and a record kept.

In the event of a more serious injury, such as if treatment by a doctor or hospital is required, leaders will make every effort to contact parents as soon as possible using the supplied contact information. If contact cannot be made sufficiently quickly, then the leaders will act in the best interests of the young people, including providing consent to any necessary medical treatment if considered essential by medical staff.

It is vital that parents / carers update the personal details section of Online Scout Manager) site so leaders have access to the most up to date medical information about your child. This must include any health issues, allergies, and regular medication.