

Being a responsible group member

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Preparation

- Do arrive in good time for the meet. (It can take at least 30 minutes to get ready to go to sea. Often the departure time is critical because of tide, weather or dusk.)
- Do park considerately for other folk using the launching area,
- Don't leave valuables in your vehicle to attract thieves.

Equipment

- Do make sure your kayak is seaworthy.
- Do bring the essential equipment.
- Do bring food and drink, including lunch if appropriate.
- Wearing a Bouyancy Aid is obligatory under Irish Law.

At Sea

- Please respect decisions of the trip leader, including (a) whether they are willing to lead the trip given the conditions and group, and (b) whether they consider the trip suitable for your experience level
- Do stick with the group when at sea, if you wander off it means that the trip leader's job is made all the harder.
- If you are feeling unwell or tired let the trip leader know of your condition.
- If you have a medical condition which could affect your safety or jeopardise that of the group, let the trip leader know beforehand.
- If you are unsure of your abilities, call the trip leader beforehand.
- Be prepared for areas where landings are not possible. Carry water and snacks where they are in an accessible location at sea.