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CAMP SITES

Arrivals

Report to reception immediately on arrival.

Vehicle Movement

Keep to roadways unless otherwise directed.

Adhere to speed limits. Note that these are generally 10 mph (remember that the stopping distance on grass is considerably greater than on tarmac). Only a person in possession of a current driving licence may drive on the site.

Park correctly as advised on your pitch. Where possible leave 20 feet of free space around your vehicle.

Use of Site Appliances

Use the electrical mains hook-up in the correct manner and with caution.

Ensure that all fresh water taps/connections are turned off after use. Have care and consideration when using all facilities (toilets and showers etc) and leave clean and tidy. Young children should be supervised.

Waste Disposal

If the vehicle is not fitted with a waste water tank, a suitable receptacle should be placed below all waste water outlet pipes. Do not let these containers overflow.

Dispose of all waste water where instructed. Empty effluent from chemical toilets where instructed. To avoid possible damage to sewage purification works, only approved chemical fluids must be used. Under no circumstances should coal tar, phenol or caustic-based fluids be used.

Disposable napkins and similar bulky items must not be put into chemical closet emptying points but should be wrapped in a polythene bag and placed in the container provided.

Place all litter in containers marked for the purpose.

Noise

Do not make excessive noise. Children should be restrained from making excessive noise.

Flying kites and model aircraft and the use of items like catapults or air-guns, as well as ball games, should not be permitted among, or close to other vehicles.

Musical instruments, record players, radios and televisions should not be used to the inconvenience of other people on the site.

Open and close doors quietly. Power generators must be adequately silenced and used with consideration.

Dogs and other Pets

All dogs and other pets should be kept under control. Unless permission has been granted, no animal should be allowed loose on the site and leads must not exceed 10ft.

No animals should be allowed in the shower/toilet blocks. Do not let dogs foul the site.

Fire Precautions

Adhere to and take note of fire precautions noting the whereabouts of the fire points.

WARNING: PROVIDE ONE DRY POWDER FIRE EXTINGUISHER OF AN APPROVED TYPE OR COMPLYING WITH EN3, OF AT LEAST 1KG CAPACITY, BY THE MAIN EXTERIOR DOOR AND A FIRE BLANKET NEXT TO THE COOKER. FAMILIARISE YOURSELF WITH THE OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS ON YOUR FIRE EXTINGUISHER AND THE LOCAL FIRE PRECAUTION ARRANGEMENTS.

When using a dry powder extinguisher it is suggested that the motorhome be evacuated until the powder has settled, to avoid inhalation.

Unless permission has been granted, barbecues should not be used.

If permission is given, consideration should be given to the annoyance that can be caused to other users of the site.

Open fires are not allowed.

Awnings and Tents

Awnings and tents should only be used when permission has been obtained.

When on grass and staying for more than a few days, the ground sheet and/or side flaps of awnings should be periodically raised in order to avoid damage to the ground.

Departure

Leave the pitch clean and tidy.

On leaving, check out with reception paying the required fees.

Wild Camping

Camping away from licensed sites, without the permission from the land owner or his agents, is not allowed in the United Kingdom.

When permission has been granted, all aspects of this Code should be adhered to.

On no account should:

- Litter be disposed of other than in the receptacles provided.
- Water be allowed to escape from the vehicle.
- Chemical toilets be emptied except into the disposal places agreed with the land owner.
- Washing or similar be hung outside the vehicle.

Parking

Motorhomes should only be parked in approved places.

When using the facilities of a motorhome, care and consideration should be given to those around them.

Driving

Before moving off, elevated rooflights and aerials should be lowered and correctly secured, and top hinged windows closed. Likewise all doors and access lockers for gas containers and chemical toilets must be properly secured.

Exterior steps should be properly retracted and secured. When the vehicle is in motion it is compulsory for all front seat passengers and rear seat passengers to wear seat belts, where fitted. When using a motorhome on either the public highway or private roads the Highway Code should be complied with and full consideration given to other road users.

In the event of a motorhome travelling slowly the driver of the motorhome should, where possible, pull over in order to let other traffic pass.

WHEN TRAVELLING, REFUELLING OR ON A FERRY ENSURE THE GAS SYSTEM IS FULLY ISOLATED AT SOURCE.

Handbooks (Chassis & Converter)

Before using a motorhome all aspects of the handbooks, produced by the chassis manufacturer and the converter, must be read and adhered to.

The separate chassis manufacturer handbook refers to your motorhome chassis and base vehicle including care and maintenance.

Environment

Care and consideration should be taken to protect the environment.

Observe the Country and Coastal Codes shown overleaf.

THE COUNTRY CODE

Enjoy the countryside but respect its life and work. More people than ever before are exploring the countryside, interested in farming, plant life, bird watching or just observing the general wildlife. Whatever your interest, there is a lot to learn, but please observe the following code:

- Guard against all risk of fires. Hay and heathland catch alight easily and once ablaze are very difficult to put out.
- Fasten all gates.
- Keep your dog under proper control.
- Keep to the paths across farm land.
- Avoid damaging fences, hedges and walls.
- Leave no litter.
- Safeguard water supplies.
- Protect wildlife, wild plants and trees.
- Go carefully on country roads.
- Respect the life of the countryside.

REMEMBER: FIRE SPREADS QUICKLY.

THE COASTAL CODE

As our coastlines are increasingly used for recreation and education, the following suggestions are made to enable us to enjoy our inheritance and preserve it for posterity.

Disturbance may mean DEATH.

DO NOT trample about, or move rocks unnecessarily.

DO NOT frighten seals or seabirds.

DO NOT spill detergents, solvents or fuel from boats as these can kill marine life.

When sailing, moderate your speed - the wash from a fast boat can destroy banks and nests.

Live molluscs and crustaceans need not be collected as souvenirs - dead shells can usually be found.

Shellfish can take years to grow and fines can be imposed for not observing national regulations.

DO NOT pull up seaweeds unnecessarily.

Make your visit instructive - not destructive.

Look at material - don't remove it. Take notes and photographs, not specimens.

Observe by-laws and be considerate to others.

National Trust property and Country Parks have regulations to protect the wildlife. Follow these and the Country and Coastal Codes.