Tread Lightly in the Park



Dogs

From April to August, keep your dog on a short lead or close to heel in areas of ground nesting birds. Avoid fields with livestock – particularly young animals. Clean up after your dog. Put any waste in a bin, or take it away. In more remote areas, remove it off the path.

Camping and litter

Pitch your tent well away from cars, roads or buildings. Keep the numbers of your group small. Move on after a couple of nights. Remove traces of your camping site and any litter. Carry out what you carry in.

Outdoor cooking

Use a stove rather than an open fire. Place foil barbeque trays on a solid, fire-resistant surface such as stones, sand or shingle.

Fires

Never light a fire during prolonged dry periods or in woodlands or on peaty soils. Never cut down or damage trees. Keep fires small, under control and supervised at all times. Ensure a fire is completely out and remove all traces of it.

Toilets

Use a public toilet if there is one. If not, dig a hole and bury waste well away from buildings or well-used areas. Urinate at least 30 paces from lochs, rivers and streams.

When you are enjoying the outdoors the key things to remember are:

- Take responsibility for your own actions
- Respect the interests of other people
- Care for the environment

