

CUMMERSDALE SCHOOL

CONDITIONS OF HIRE

TO BE ATTACHED TO THE 'LETTINGS BOOKING FORM'

General Conditions

- The person signing the Booking Form shall be considered the 'hirer' and must be over 18 years of age.
- The person/organisation requesting the letting (the Organiser) has the responsibility to provide evidence of Public Liability Insurance (up to £5 million) for the period of the Letting.
- Children under 18 cannot be present during the Letting, without appropriate Safeguarding Children Procedures in place, and the Organiser requesting the letting must provide evidence of this and that other organisations/bodies have ensured that relevant safeguarding checks have been made in respect of staff and volunteers (unless the letting is to a private individual e.g. for a birthday party/anniversary etc.).
- The school will take appropriate action to ensure that the school is not hired out or otherwise let to external agencies who use the premises to deliver messages of, or support for, extremism or radicalisation.
- The premises will only be used for the event described on the Booking Form.
- The hirer will be responsible for ensuring that all activities take place in a safe manner.
- The behaviour and safety of persons on the premises for this booking are the responsibility of the hirer.
- The hirer is also responsible for ensuring that access to restricted parts of the school not forming part of the letting is not permitted and that there are sufficient stewards to prevent access to the school premises by any unauthorised third parties.
- A qualified person must be present during all session that are considered to be of a hazardous nature, e.g. karate, gymnastics, judo etc. or where the club/organisation is a youth group. It is the responsibility of the hirer to check the qualifications of those supervising such activities and to establish that Enhanced Disclosures are held by all relevant persons.
- The hirer is responsible for the adequacy, suitability and safety of all equipment brought onto the premises. No unauthorised electrical equipment shall be used on the school premises.
- Noise levels must be contained to a reasonable level at all times and after 8.30 pm no noise shall be audible in any of the neighbouring properties.
- No betting, gambling or gaming is permitted on the school premises.
- It is the responsibility of the hirer to obtain any necessary licences for the sale of alcohol or the provision of public entertainment.
- The Hirer must ensure that nothing is brought or stored on the school premises which may be offensive, noxious, illegal or dangerous and that may cause damage to the premises or any other facilities or affect the health and safety of any person.
- The Hirer accepts that the School may at any time terminate or postpone any single or all bookings at its own discretion and any liability of the Governors for any loss in respect of the termination or postponement shall be limited to the return or any paid deposit only.

The school has a comprehensive Health and Safety Policy and its building is well maintained and regularly inspected to ensure that standards remain high. If you have any concerns about the Health and Safety of our site, it is your duty to inform the school so that we can take appropriate action. We appreciate your support. The school can be contacted by phone during the letting – 07787 502588. School phones may not always be available, and you must ensure you have a mobile phone to summon medical assistance.

Damage to the School Building or School Property

- The Hirer will pay for all damage caused to any school property including but not limited to fixtures/fittings/sports and any other equipment as a result of the hiring.
- The hirer is responsible for ensuring that all areas are left clean and tidy as found. This includes all outside areas as well as indoor areas. If this is not found to be the case the hirer will be charged a penalty sum to cover costs of any repairs or cleaning required.
- No stiletto heels or similar objects are allowed in the gym/hall area.
- The School will **NOT** accept responsibility for any loss of or damage to any property owned by any person using the premises during the period of the letting. Property shall be brought on to the premises at the sole risk of the owner.

Parking Arrangements

- The school is not responsible for any damage to, or theft from cars parked in the car park, and those attending the Letting should be informed of this by the Organiser, as part of the introductory Health and Safety information.

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FOR HIRE OF THE BUILDING ONLY**General Conditions**

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- The school will provide a clean and tidy room, all heating and lighting, use of toilet facilities and cloakrooms, furniture as specified and, if the hiring includes use of the kitchen, cooking equipment, crockery and cutlery.
- For safety and hygiene reasons, children under 14 are not permitted in the kitchen.

Fire Safety

- You will be given a map of the school showing the emergency exits from the room/s you are hiring, clearly marked.
- On entry to the building for the Letting, the Organiser must make themselves aware of the position of the emergency manual call points; and the nearest emergency exit from the room(s) they are hiring.
- You must have identified in advance, the person who would act as a Fire Warden: i.e. the person who would make sure that all those attending the letting had left the common areas, toilet areas and the room(s) you are hiring, via an emergency exit; and that someone had activated the Fire Alarm.
- All final exit routes from the building have an emergency manual call point. The Organiser should prepare and familiarise themselves in advance by walking the most obvious emergency exit route from the room(s) hired to that route's final exit point and noting the position of the call point.
- Fire Extinguishers are located around the building. **You are not expected to use a Fire Extinguisher in the event of a fire although you can tackle a small fire if you have been trained to do so and can do so without putting yourself or others at risk.**
- At the start of your Letting, you must ask each person to sign an attendance sheet which has the person's name clearly written, the purpose of the Letting and the date of the Letting.
- Before proceeding with your event, you must give basic fire safety information to those present as follows:
 - Point out the emergency evacuation exits, signposted in white on a green background.
 - In the event of a fire, the alarm will sound – it sounds like a siren.
 - You should leave the building by the nearest fire evacuation route/exit and gather at the designated Assembly Point (in the front playground)
- If you need to leave the building in the case of an emergency and the alarm has not sounded, then the alarm should be activated using the nearest Emergency Call Point on your way out of the building.
- Telephone the Fire and Rescue Service providing the following information:
 - Your name
 - The name of School/Setting
 - School/Setting address
 - Contact telephone number
 - Details of the fire (if known)
- Undertake a head count and use the 'Attendance' sheet to identify that all persons have been accounted for. If anyone is found to be missing this must immediately be reported to the Fire and Rescue Service on arrival.
- Under no circumstances should anyone re-enter the building until the 'all clear' has been given by the attending Fire Service Officer.
- Once all persons have evacuated the building and Fire and Rescue Services have been summoned, contact must be made with the school (07787502588)
- The school No Smoking Policy MUST be adhered to at all times both inside the building and on school grounds.
- No naked flames (open fires or candles) are permitted without the express permission of the Head teacher and production of a suitable and sufficient risk assessment which identifies how risks will be managed.

First Aid and Accidents

- The Organiser should have a fully charged mobile phone on their person so that in an emergency, the appropriate emergency services can be summoned.
- The Organiser is responsible for First Aid provision during the letting.
- There should be a competent person who is trained and available to give First Aid. A basic First Aid kit will be available in the **staff room**.
- Any significant incident or accident must be reported to the school.

Welfare Arrangements

- Toilets are available to those who hire the building, but would not normally be available to those just hiring the MUGA.
- There are facilities for Disabled persons. The Organiser will be shown its location during the initial Lettings Meeting. Its location is marked on the plan of the school showing emergency exits.
- Only adults preparing food/refreshments are permitted access to the kitchen, where an agreement has been made. Kitchen regulations must be adhered to at all times.
- If you are using kettles or the staffroom kitchen area etc., to make drinks, we ask you to take proper care for your own Health and Safety. Please mop up all spills carefully, at once, so that there can be no risk of slipping.
- There will be a Wet Floor sign in the staff toilet, which you may use if needed.
- No alcoholic drinks may be consumed or brought onto the premises unless written permission has been applied for and received from the Governing Body. No alcoholic drinks may be sold without the necessary license, and this must be shown in advance to the Governing Body – it will be the responsibility of the hirer to obtain all necessary licences.

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