



Balmaha House

Bunkhouse and Canoe Hire

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All Activity users Balmaha Kayak/Canoe Hire

- **All Activities on the Loch can be Dangerous.**
- **Care and attention must be taken at all times**
- **Loch Lomond must be viewed as seriously as the Sea.**

All Customers hiring our crafts and going out on the Loch must be able to swim.

All those going out on our crafts must have working mobile communications.

You Must:

1. Inform the Leader of your Group and or the Manager Operator of Balmaha House Bunkhouse and Canoe Hire in advance of any

Mental/ physical or Medical condition which could affect your participation in the activity.

This includes recent muscle strain, sight and hearing difficulties and heart problems.

2. You must comply with the SCA Paddlers code.

3. You must not participate in any of our activities under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

4. Should you feel unsafe or unhappy at any stage of the activity you must inform your nominated group leader immediately, or us.

5. All Juniors under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Young People/Children must be of the years that are able to accept, listen, understand and act on instructions and the rules of going out onto the loch, the SCA paddles code, and must be willing to be supervised by Parents/Guardians.

Parents /Guardians will be fully responsible for supervision at all times. We will have the final say.

6. All adventure activities involve an element of risk. We do not provide personal accident cover.

7. Life jackets/buoyancy aids must be worn at all times whilst on or near the water & done up.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR THOSE HIRING EQUIPMENT

8. Balmaha Bay is a working bay. Please stay clear of all craft and moorings. Please exit the bay anti clockwise, away from the boat yard.

9. As master of your craft you are totally responsible for the command of it, those on board and any damage caused to or by the craft during the time of your hire.

10. Please be aware of the weather conditions. The weather on the loch changes very quickly and wind strength and direction can change very rapidly. Water temperature in the loch can be very cold even in midsummer. Waves can be whipped up by the wind in seconds.

11. Those hiring equipment should be aware that they do so at their own risk which they should weigh up against their own experience, we do not operate a rescue service.

12 Security will be required for all equipment on loan in the form of Name Address Tel number and if required proof of ID.

13. Water sports are potentially dangerous activities which can result in death. Loch Lomond must be regarded with the same respect as the open sea-it can be a dangerous place. By signing the hire form you claim that you are able to self rescue from the craft you have hired by means of either rolling or deep water rescue.

14 you have received a full verbal Safety brief to include details of the SCA Paddlers code and brief information about the Loch.

15 All those who plan to conduct a long trip are advised to check in with the Loch Ranger office for update information and any restrictions in place at the time of hire and for the duration of your hire.

16. You have inspected the craft and equipment and accept they are fit for the purpose you intend to use them for.

17 The Manager/Operator or the representative of has the final say if a craft can be hired or not.

18. Animals are not permitted on our crafts.

19. EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS

Balmaha House: 01360 870218:

Police Drymen: 01360 440220

Police Central Scotland: 01786 456000

A Cousin /Manager/Operator

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