



# MENDIP CHALLENGE

## TERMS & CONDITIONS 2021

Please ensure you have read and understood the Terms and Conditions for the Mendip Challenge. You will have confirmed you read and understood these before completing your booking.

1. The Mendip Challenge 2021 (henceforth known as the 'event') will be held on Sunday 6 June 2021 (henceforth known as the 'event day'). The event is organised by Weston Hospicecare (henceforth known as the 'event organisers') and will start at Weston-super-Mare Cricket Club (Devonshire Road, BS23 4NY) (henceforth known as 'event HQ').
2. The event is a fundraising event for Weston Hospicecare (registered charity number: 900328). Your entry fee helps to cover the cost of organising the event. Therefore, you are strongly encouraged to raise sponsorship money or make a personal donation.
3. We ask that you return all of your sponsorship and personal donations by Friday 30 July 2021.
4. To capture the excitement on the event we will have professional photographers and videographers taking photos and recording footage, some of which will be used for publicity purposes. Having completed your entry form, you are deemed as accepting that your photograph and any footage you appear in may be used in future hospice advertising or local press materials.
5. You must register on event day at the event HQ. You may not start from any other point along the route. This applies to all participants.
6. For 5 and 10 mile routes, you will be given a start time one week before the event. You will need to arrive ready to start your walk at this time. You will be in small groups set off at safe time intervals to avoid large gatherings of people. Your group will include the other participants you registered with upon registration. You must arrive promptly for your start time, no more than ten minutes either side of the time. If you arrive more than ten minutes late, you may not be able to walk.
7. For 20 and 30 mile routes you are given a hour period to register for the event, please arrive between the given times to allow you enough time to board the coaches and to complete your walk.
8. Face coverings must be worn at all time on the coaches.
9. You must secure the walker number that you will be given on event day to the front of your top. If you do not have your walker number you may not be permitted to walk for safety reasons. For your personal safety, you are not permitted to swap this number or allow anyone else to use your number. It must be pinned onto your front throughout the event.
10. Medal collection will be contact-free for finishers to collect on the day.
11. Refreshments and toilets will be available at points along the 10, 20 and 30 mile route. For the 5 mile route toilets will be at event HQ.
12. You must de-register at the event HQ as soon as you finish the walk, failure to do so will result in your emergency contact being contacted, if the event organisers cannot confirm that you have safely finished the route the emergency services will be notified and a search party may be mobilised.
13. There will be no 'bag drop' at event HQ and the event organisers shall not be liable in respect of any loss or damage whatsoever to participant belongings.
14. The cut off time for all participants to finish the route shall be strictly 8pm: upon which any outstanding participants will be asked to leave the course.

15. You must reach the checkpoints in reasonable time and understand they are open at specific times. Participants of the 20 or 30 mile routes agree to stop at the compulsory checkpoint and register your running number before continuing your walk. This is essential for your safety as search and rescue teams may be sent to find you if you do not pass through the compulsory checkpoint.
16. The registration fee is strictly non-refundable. If the event is cancelled or postponed due to unforeseen circumstances out of the hospice's control (such as unsafe weather conditions) the event registration fees are non-refundable.
17. At the discretion of the event organisers, an 'on the day' sign up policy may be initiated – this 'on the day' fee would be applicable from the date registrations close at 23:59 Sunday 30 May 2021. However, this is entirely dependent on the total number of existing participants and an increased entry fee will apply to both adults and children. There is no guarantee implied that an entry place will be available to those who turn up 'on the day'.
18. Any participant who is aged under 18 years old must be accompanied by an appropriate adult who is also registered for the event and agrees to take part with the younger participant at all times. The adult is responsible for registering the participant that is under 18 and must take full responsibility for both of their participation and safety. The adult must also be from the same household and the minor.
19. No alcohol or illegal substances are to be consumed whilst on the route.
20. Any participant exhibiting any anti-social behaviour towards other participants, volunteers, staff and / or members of the public at any point during the event will be asked to leave the event immediately.
21. On the day, if you are unable to complete the event it is imperative that you either inform a marshal or call the number provided on your route map provided to you in your pre-event pack. If you fail to do this you may be presumed missing and emergency services may be called out to locate you.
22. A thorough risk assessment is completed by the event organisers in advance of the event. Qualified first aiders, volunteer back walkers and event staff will be roaming the course.
23. Weston Hospicecare nor any of its employees, accepts liability for any accident, loss, damage, injury or illness to any persons or animals in any way whatsoever.
24. All participants will be taking part at their own risk and are asked to take care when at the event and ensure they are equipped with suitable provisions, clothing and physical ability.
25. There are no 'return lifts' available via support vehicle should you choose to drop out or get injured. You should call 999 for all emergencies.
26. You are responsible for the disposal of all rubbish you create along the route.
27. If you are bringing a dog to the event, you hold full responsibility for clearing away and disposing of any dog waste during the event. You understand you are liable to any fines imposed by the local council if you do not clear up all dog waste.
28. You understand that Weston Hospicecare cannot be held responsible for any illness or injury sustained during a period of training for the event, or during the event itself, and that you enter and intend on participating at entirely your own risk.
29. You have chosen to enter the Mendip Challenge 2021 of your own choice and confirm that your general state of health and fitness is good, and any injury sustained during the event or whilst training is your own responsibility and will not be the responsibility of the event organisers.
30. Weston Hospicecare have and will take steps to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19 at the Mendip Challenge, by signing up you confirm you are participating at your own risk. Please consult your doctor if you have any concerns.
31. If at any point within two weeks of the event you are displaying signs of the coronavirus or you have been diagnosed with it, you must not participate in the event.
32. You must socially distance from anyone outside of your bubble at the event, this is your personal responsibility and you agree to abide by the current government guidelines on this.

33. Route marshals are not responsible for your safety at any time during the event, they are only to give advice on route directions. Your safety crossing roads etc. is your personal responsibility.