

Surf Coast Trek 2020 Terms & Conditions



**Upon registering for the Surf Coast Trek 2020,
you agree to abide by the
Surf Coast Trek Terms & Conditions outlined below.**

Definitions

Event Organiser/s - Give Where You Live Foundation and Kids Plus Foundation

GWYLF - Give Where You Live Foundation

KP- Kids Plus Foundation

SCT- Surf Coast Trek

Registration and Fundraising Costs

Individual registration is \$60, Team of 2 registration is \$120 and Team of 4 registration is \$240. Your registration fee includes your Trek t-shirt, Trek cap, Trek bib and other important Trek information! As the Surf Coast Trek is a fundraising event, by registering you are also agreeing to fundraise. All fundraising proceeds will be divided equally between the Kids Plus Foundation and Give Where You Live Foundation. The minimum Individual fundraising target is \$250, while a Team of 2 target is \$500 and a Team of 4 target is \$1000.

Further information on current Surf Coast Trek Registration fees and Fundraising targets are published at surfcoasttrek.com.au.

Surf Coast Trek Registration fees for Surf Coast Trek are non-refundable, non-tax deductible and must be paid at the time of registering to participate in Surf Coast Trek. Fundraising donations are also non-refundable but donations over \$2 are tax-deductible. Automated Tax receipts will be sent to the supplied email addresses.

Cancellation/Refund Policy

Postponement or Cancellation of Surf Coast Trek

The SCT Event Organisers, at their discretion, will cancel your participation if you:

- breach these Terms and Conditions;
- run the Trek, SCT is a walking event not a running event;
- behave in such a way that puts you or others at risk;
- behave in a way that is offensive or inappropriate;
- breach the law;
- use illegal drugs or any drugs which enhance performance;
- fail to sign and agree to the Participant Waiver.

Inclement weather or other conditions

Surf Coast Trek will operate regardless of weather conditions, except in the case of severe unforeseen conditions or if deemed unsafe by the event organiser.

If the SCT event organisers deem the Trek to be unsafe due to unforeseen circumstances such as heavy rain, gail force winds, bushfires, flooding etc the Trek at the discretion of the SCT event organisers may re-routed, modified or cancelled.

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SCT event organisers reserve the right to cancel the Trek for any other reason that may put participants or event organisers at risk. The SCT will not go ahead if any conditions would deem the SCT's insurance void or voided for holding the Trek.

SCT organising staff may choose a suitable alternate location and/or route. The route or location may not be the same as originally planned if considered unsafe but event organisers will work to find a suitable or similar substitute. In the event that the Trek is cancelled, re-routed or shortened, no refund of registration fees or fundraising donations will be made.

Acceptance of Risk

As part of the registration process all participants are required to accept the Participant Waiver.

A copy of the Participant Waiver can be found [HERE](#).

Surf Coast Trek operates along the Surf Coast Walk from Aireys Inlet to Torquay, Victoria. It operates in an outdoor environment which can be unpredictable, challenging and demanding both physically and mentally. By registering for SCT 2020 you are accepting the associated risks and dangers associated with the event and the accompanying risk of injury, death or property loss/damage.

The SCT Event Organisers strongly advises all Trekkers to check that they have appropriate insurance/s and Ambulance Cover. This insurance must be current and up to date, if you have any doubts about your cover please contact your insurance provider prior to taking part in the Trek.

Registration

Register online from Monday, 09 September 2019, 9am until sold out or close of registration (a date determined by the Event Organisers). Participants under the age of 18 must have a parent/guardian sign their Participant Waiver as well. Trek participants under the age of 18 years MUST be accompanied by an adult at all times along the Trek.

INDIVIDUAL

Individual registration is \$60 which is non-refundable and non-tax-deductible. The registration fee does not count toward the individual fundraising commitment of \$250. An individual wishing to participate in Surf Coast Trek will be asked to supply basic personal information, sign a Participant Waiver, acknowledge and accept the Terms and Conditions, create their Fundraising Page and finally begin fundraising. Individual registrations are finalised after payment is made. If for some reason you are required to withdraw from the event, an individual can transfer their registration to another, however they are not entitled to a refund.

Further Individual Registration Information can be found [HERE](#).

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TEAM OF 2

The Team Captain registers the team, nominates one other team member and provides their full name and email addresses. The Team Captain must then pay a non-refundable, non-tax-deductible registration fee of \$120. The registration fee does not count toward your team fundraising commitment of \$500. As per the terms and conditions set out here, the Team Captain commits to paying the FULL team entry fee. Your registration fee is not-refundable, regardless of circumstance, nor will the Event Organisers issue partial refunds.

The Team Captain must provide names and email addresses for the other team member, an email will be sent to this team member to finalise their registration. Team registrations WILL NOT be valid until all team members have completed their registration form and signed their Participant Waiver.

TEAM OF 4

The Team Captain registers the team and nominates three other team members and provides their names and email addresses. The Team Captain must then pay a non-refundable, non-tax-deductible registration fee of \$240. The registration fee does not count toward your team fundraising commitment of \$1,000. As per the terms and conditions set out here, the Team Captain commits to paying the FULL team entry fee. Your registration fee is not-refundable, regardless of circumstance, nor will the Event Organisers issue partial refunds.

The Team Captain must provide names and email addresses for three team members, an email will be sent to these team members to finalise their registration. Team registrations WILL NOT be valid until all team members have completed their registration form and signed their Participant Waiver.

TEAM MEMBER CHANGES

You can change your team members online via a link sent to you in your Registration Confirmation email. Any changes on event day must be reported to staff at the 'Information Tent' at the start line. No team member substitutions will be allowed during the event. ALL team members MUST have accepted the Participant Waiver online prior to the Trek.

Further Team Registration Information can be found [HERE](#).

Withdrawing from the Surf Coast Trek

Your Surf Coast Trek registration fee is non-refundable. If due to unforeseen circumstances, you can no longer Trek you must complete the online withdrawal form to notify the SCT Event Organisers that you will no longer be Trekking. You are more than welcome to find a replacement Trekker to take your place in the Trek, please see 'Transfer of Registration' below. Any fundraising donations cannot be refunded but can be transferred to the Fundraising Page of the new Trekker.

Transfer of Registration

Your Surf Coast Trek registration fee is non-refundable, however you can transfer your registration to another person prior to 5pm, Wednesday 25 March 2020.

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To transfer your registration you must contact info@surfcoasttrek.com.au to receive a link which enables you to edit your registration. Once the registration name and email has been updated via the link a new email will be sent out to confirm the new participant's personal details and they will sign their Participant Waiver. All fundraising amounts will also be transferred to the new registrant.

REGISTRATION TRANSFERS CANNOT NOT BE PERMITTED AFTER 5PM,
WEDNESDAY 25 MARCH 2020.

The Trek

You must follow the correct SCT route. It is advised that you carry the SCT map (provided in your Trek pack) with you on the day. A fully charged mobile phone with reception also enables you to stay on route if you are in doubt.

Your Trek bib there is a timing chip which allows event organisers to track your progress. Please have your bib clearly displayed and avoid bending the timing strip. You must walk over the 'check points' at each Rest Stop. This is a safety requirement, so that SCT staff know when you have or haven't reached a certain Rest Stop. If you do not cross the 'check points' your overall time for walking the 40km's will also be incorrect.

Each Rest Stop has a cut off or closing time. If you are struggling to make the Rest Stops before cut off, SCT event staff will encourage you to move a bit quicker or shuttle you to the next Rest Stop.

REST STOP	EXPECTED PARTICIPANT ARRIVAL	CUT OFF TIME
1: Urquharts Bluff	8.15am	9.30am
2: Anglesea	9.15am	11.45am
3: Point Addis	10.15am	2.00pm
4: Southside	11.30am	3.30pm
Finish Line	1.00pm	5.30pm

*cut off times subject to change, please check the website for the most up to date information

As SCT abides by the principles of bushwalking, which requires participants to leave no trace. Please take all rubbish with you. There are bins provided at each Rest Stop for you to dispose of your rubbish.

The Trek begins in the early hours of the morning in a residential zone in Airey's Inlet. We ask that you please keep noise to a minimum during these early hours at Airey's Inlet.

The Route

Course maps can be [downloaded online](#), are available in your Trek Packs or can print via the SCT website at surfcoasttrek.com.au.

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The Event Organisers will mark the course as well as possible on Trek Day. It is still worthwhile practicing the route in advance if possible, particularly the sections you will be walking in in low light. For your own safety, you should make sure you have a working mobile phone with reception during training and on event day.

Note: This route is on a pre-existing coastal walking trail. Navigation is not difficult however care does need to be taken in order to stay on route.

Wear your Trek bib, this will enable event organisers to track you along the course and make necessary phone calls if you appear to be off the route.

Safety

If you need to withdraw during the Trek, please try to do so from one of the designated Rest Stop where you must inform a SCT volunteer or staff member that you will not be completing the Trek. Should you need to withdraw from the Trek outside of a designated Rest Stop, you may do so however you **MUST** phone the Trek Safety Officer with your Trek bib number.

In case of emergency (e.g. serious injury, breathing difficulty and bush fire) you must call 000.

If you experience a non-urgent medical issue during the Trek, please contact the St John's First Aid Team (contact number can be found on your safety briefing form in your Trek pack) and they will assist.

Some parts of the Trek are along the beach. You should not enter down onto the beach if the tides make this area dangerous to cross. You must take particular care along the beach zones of the Trek due to the unpredictability of conditions.

You or your team are advised to carry a basic First Aid Kit to allow for any minor problems along the Trek. Things to include are: Band-Aids, blister protection, personal medication such as mild pain relief, insect repellent and anything else you feel may be necessary. Rest Stops will also be equipped with basic First Aid. St John's Ambulance will be available should there be more serious injuries or issues.

Your day pack should also include enough food and water to get you through the day. Water and snacks will be provided at each Rest Stop; however, it is advised not to solely rely on these. Camelbak hydration packs are an excellent and more comfortable way to carry water during the Trek.

Every effort will be made to make your Surf Coast Trek experience a safe one. Please use your common sense particularly around roads and traffic. Some of our Rest Stops are in frequently used carparks so please abide by all VicRoads pedestrian road rules during the Trek. Refer to the VicRoads website for their guidelines - <https://www.vicroads.vic.gov.au/safety-and-road-rules>.

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Fundraising

Each individual commits to raising a minimum of \$250, while Teams of 2 commit to \$500 and Teams of 4 commit to raising a minimum of \$1,000 with all proceeds going towards the Kids Plus Foundation and Give Where You Live Foundation.

Each Team or Individual sets up an online Fundraising Page and is encouraged to share this page via social media and email to promote fundraising donations. All donations made to your online Fundraising Page are non-refundable, donations can however be transferred to another participant in the case of a withdrawal or registration transfer. All donations over \$2 made to the online Fundraising Pages will be issued with an automated tax deductible receipt via email.

All cash donations received in person must be paid through the individual or team on-line Fundraising Page at the participant's earliest convenience.

Surf Coast Trek Fundraising donations will not be refunded to donors who have donated to participants that withdraw from the event.

Media & Photo / Video Disclaimer

Please be advised that photographs and videos will be taken throughout the Surf Coast Trek event and may be used for marketing purposes by Surf Coast Trek, Kids Plus Foundation and the Give Where You Live Foundation. This includes but is not limited to, websites, offline and online publications and social media.

Participants reserve the right to not be included in a photo/video and are encouraged to verbally mention this to the official Surf Coast Trek photographer/s or any attending media. In the case of a group photo, it is the responsibility of the participant exclude him/herself from the photo.

Post Event

Trek times will be posted online by Tomato Timing following the Trek. Please retain your Trek bib number to look up your Trek time.

Please note: please wear your Trek Bib correctly during the Trek (try not to bend the foam strip) to ensure that all times are accurate and accounted for. In the unlikely event that your timing bib does not work on the day, please take note of your start and finish time using your own personal device, as a backup, if you wish to time your Trek.

Share your photos with us #surfcoasttrek and remember to stretch!