

AFF INFORMATION PACK 2024

Thank you for choosing Skydive Netheravon, the home of the Army Parachute Association, for your Accelerated Free Fall course (AFF). By deciding to become a qualified skydiver you have made a life changing decision, joining one of the greatest sporting communities in the world.

Within this pack you will find links to all the information you need ahead of your course, and hopefully answer a few of the questions you may have.

Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. We will be happy to help you in whatever way we can.

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ESSENTIAL INFORMATION

AGE AND WEIGHT LIMIT You must be over 18 to skydive unless you are 16 and over and have parental permission. The weight limit is 90kg (14st). There is a maximum age limit of 54.

FORMS You will need to complete 2 forms before your skydive! The first form is your British Skydiving Self-Declaration Medical (115C). It is really important you read through this thoroughly. If for any reason you are unable to self-declare, you will need a doctor's certificate that can be found on the next page or on the British Skydiving website. You will also need to fill in a club membership waiver, which includes the details of the British Skydiving Provisional membership. If you are under 18, you **MUST** have both form's signed by a parent/guardian before attending the parachute centre.

<u>DOGS</u> Netheravon Airfield Camp has a strict "NO VISITING DOGS ON SITE" policy, therefore, we respectfully request that you leave your dogs at home. If you bring your dog, you may be turned away.

GUESTS Yes, you may bring friends and/or family members! Please let your guest(s) know that they must bring photo ID. You will need to book them in and will receive a link to a form on the Monday before your jump! Please be mindful the training can take around 7 hours so they may wish to join you later for the jump.

FACILITIES We have a Café on site which provides hot and cold food and drinks from 8am. Alcohol consumption is forbidden before your jump, however, alcohol is available for post-jump celebrations!

<u>VOUCHERS</u> Remember to bring your voucher with you on the day (if you have one) Please also remember to check that the voucher is in date before you book. Vouchers expire 12 months from the time of purchase! We recommend emailing Virgin Experience Days vouchers in at the time of booking.

<u>WEATHER</u> The weather in the UK can be a little unpredictable and there are times we may need to go on a weather hold. This may mean waiting around for bad weather to clear. If in any doubt, please call us the afternoon before and we can update you on the weather.

<u>COMPETION OF GROUND TRAINING</u> Parachuting does not come naturally to everyone. All aspects of the ground school must be successfully completed and the instructor reserves the right to refuse an individual to jump.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS - Please find all FAQs along with their answers here.

<u>SELF DECLARATION MEDICAL FORM</u> - Everyone requires a self-delcaration medical form before they can jump. Don't forget if you are under 18, this form **MUST** be signed by a parent before attending the centre.

DOCTOR'S CERTIFICATE - Required if you are unable to sign the self-delcaration medical form.

<u>WEATHER FORECAST</u> - We use the Met Office weather forecast for Boscombe Down as this is usually the most accurate. We need to be able to see the ground from the plane but we can jump in some cloud (only a little) and we require the wind gusts to stay below 20 knots to be able to carry out skydiving.

HOW TO FIND US - Please click <u>here</u> for directions to the guardroom where you will need to check in.

WHAT TO EXPECT - You will meet your instructor who will go through the paperwork. Once in order, the ground training commences. This can take around 7 hours! Once your training is complete you are ready to jump! More often than not, your jump may happen on a different day. Where this is the case, you will have a refresh session before you get ready for your first solo parahucte jump from 13,500ft!

You have 3 months from the date of the ground training to complete your jump! Please be prepared to spend the full weekend at the DropZone - every effort is made to get you in the air as soon as possible but sometimes delays are unavoidable - particularly when it comes to the weather as parachuting is a weather dependant sport. Once you have successfully completed ground training, you can return any weekend within 3 months to carry out your jump!

<u>WHAT TO WEAR</u> - You will need to wear something comfortable as there are practical elements to the ground training. Activewear is preferable or anything you can move comfortably in. Trainers are preferred (shoes must NOT have hooks). We do recommend bringing layers in the cooler months.

CHECKLIST

- Online Waiver completed
- Medical form printed and completed (if you do not have a printer we can provide a copy on the day, just ask reception)
- Photo ID to gain access to camp
- · Guests Booked in
- · Dog left at home
- Wearing something comfortable shoes without hooks!
- A copy of your voucher if you have one
- Card to pay any outstanding balance where applicable (we not not accept cash)
- Can speak and understand English clearly! We cannot allow interpreters during the training