



# **THE ARMY PARACHUTE ASSOCIATION TANDEM SKYDIVE INFORMATION PACK 2023**

**Thank you for choosing Skydive Netheravon for your  
Tandem Skydive!**

**We look forward to welcoming you to Netheravon**

Skydiving is not something you do every day - well, unless you work here!  
So we do understand that you may have lots of questions!

This information pack has some essential and useful information, together  
with a checklist of items you need on the day.

If you have any other questions, don't hesitate to get in touch – and in the  
meantime, why not get in the mood and visit our Facebook or Instagram  
page – don't forget to 'like' us while you are there!

<https://www.facebook.com/tandemskydivenetheravon>

<https://www.instagram.com/skydivenetheravon/>

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<http://www.netheravon.com/tandem>

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# ESSENTIAL INFORMATION

**PREPARE TO WAIT** **When** you book, you will be given an arrival time. This is **not** the time you will jump! Please be prepared to spend the **whole day** at the parachute centre! Every effort is made to get you into the air as soon as possible but, sometimes a delay is unavoidable, particularly if the weather makes jumping unsafe or you have been delayed in arriving. Please come prepared, especially if bringing young children with you.

**FORMS** **Within** this pack are the tandem waiver and self-declaration medical forms, plus the Student Provisional Membership form. Filling these in before your arrival and bringing them with you will speed up your booking-in process.

If you have a **known-medical condition**, get the following medical form stamped by a doctor.

<https://britishskydiving.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/Form-115B-Student-Tandem-Doctors-Certificate-issue-6.pdf>

If you are **under 18** the British Skydiving provisional membership and medical forms will need signing by both yourself and your parent.

**DOGS** **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 up to 4 friends and/or family members! Please let your guest(s) know that they must bring photo ID.

**FACILITIES** **We** have a Café - Dare's Diner, on site which provides hot and cold snacks from 8am as well as hot and cold food throughout the day. **Alcohol consumption is forbidden** before your jump. However, alcohol is available in the café and bar for post-jump celebrations!

**VOUCHERS** **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!

**WEATHER** **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.

# FAQ's

## **What is a Tandem Skydive?**

A Tandem Skydive is a parachute jump from an altitude of up to 2 miles, (13500 ft) consisting of approximately 45-50 seconds of free fall and around 5 minutes under canopy (parachute), where the student (you) is connected to the instructor by means of a specially designed harness.

## **Is there a maximum weight?**

Maximum weight for a tandem is **16 stone or 101kgs.**

## **I have a medical condition/disability?**

Persons with an existing medical condition or disability must consult the Army Parachute Association in advance to ascertain their suitability to jump. The medical form above will need to be completed, dated and stamped by your doctor and brought with you on the day.

## **May I wear my GoPro Camera?**

Regulations state that no camera equipment may be carried by Tandem students for safety.

**What should I wear?** Tracksuit bottoms, leggings or sports clothing. Training shoes – No footwear with hooks. A sweatshirt (preferably without a hood) in case the weather turns chilly. Gloves if your hands are sensitive to the cold. We provide you with a jump suit, helmet and goggles etc.

## **How do I find you?**

Sat Nav Postcode: **SP4 9RY**

Driving directions: <http://www.netheravon.com/location/>

## **Video & Photographs?**

Skydive Netheravon is home to some of the best air to air videographers in the UK. A Camera Flyer follows the tandem student's journey from gearing up, to boarding the plane, exiting the aircraft, the entire free fall experience, the parachute opening and landing. If you decide to have your skydive filmed, the video and stills are emailed to you with a downloadable link and are usually edited in tandem reception on the same day. You can use this on any social media. This is a brilliant keep-sake – particularly if you may only do one jump!

**If you haven't booked your skydiving camera flyer yet, give us a call (01980 670734) or email us to reserve yours!**

# ON THE DAY CHECK LIST

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Skydive Voucher (If applicable)                  | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Photo ID!</b>                               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tandem Waiver completed                          | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Things to do for children while waiting</b> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Signed Medical Form 115a or 115b (as applicable) | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Suitable Clothing</b>                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Left dog at home                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Driving Directions</b>                      |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>A big smile!</b>                            |

## **Arrival Time**

The time you have been given on booking is your arrival time here. Do allow extra time to register with our guardroom on the way into the airfield.

## **Where do I "check in" once I get there?**

Upon arrival at the main gate you will need to book in with your Photo ID. Once you are through the security gate you will be given instructions on the process of moving on to the parachute centre. You will then be directed to park in the "Visitors Car Park". From there you will see a red and white checkered double decker bus – it's hard to miss. Walk toward the bus and directly opposite you will find our reception; the bottom of the stacked porta-cabins. Once there, our helpful staff will check all documentation and register you and/or your group and schedule your training.

**What training is given?** There is a 25 – 30 minute ground training programme which covers all aspects of the jump and gives you time to ask questions if you want to.

## **What happens next?**

When it is time for your jump, your instructor will fit your harness and escort you to the plane and help you board. You will then be attached to your instructor and will remain so. The flight to exit altitude takes approximately 12-15 minutes. When the exit point is reached, your instructor will expertly take you into free fall! After your jump, you can go back to tandem reception to claim your certificate and/or video.

**If for any reason, you are unable to jump on the day of your tandem training, you can rebook and make your skydive on any available day within 12 months of your original training!**

**If over 12 months pass before you rebook/jump, your British Skydiving provisional membership will have expired meaning there will be an additional cost of £30**

## **Are there any “rules” we need to know about?**

Yes. To make the experience safe and enjoyable for everyone, we ask you to respect the following rules:

- You must submit your spectator list and vehicle registration to the APA no later than the Wednesday before your visit
- Vehicles may only be parked in the space signposted “Visitors Car Park” – you will find this at the end of the road as you pass the last hangar
- Children are the responsibility of the accompanying adult and must be supervised at all times.
- When outside, spectators must remain within the fenced off area and on no account are they allowed to wander onto the airfield.
- Smoking is not permitted within the parachute centre or on Airfield Camp at any time. For those who do smoke, you will need to leave airfield camp to do so. E-Cigarettes are however permitted outside.
- Persons under the influence of alcohol will be unable to undertake any part of the parachuting programme.
- Visiting dogs are not permitted on site

# **Guest Proforma –**

**This form needs to be completed and returned to [officeadmin@netheravon.com](mailto:officeadmin@netheravon.com) no later than the Wednesday before you are due to jump!**

**It is important that every-one attending the site brings photo ID with them. Entry will be refused without ID/Booking.**

**Each skydive participant will be permitted 4 spectators. Any under 16's can be in addition but must be annotated.**

<b>NAME</b>	<b>Vehicle details (if not in same vehicle)</b>

**Alternatively, please look out for an email on the Monday before your jump with a digital form that can be completed to save printing/emailing!**