

### **Frequently asked questions about our open challenges**

Firstly, I'd like to thank you for all the interest in our open challenges.

We've had a few questions over the years and wanted to give you all the information you needed before booking one of our challenges, we hope this will help everyone decide whether this event is for you.

1. **Are dogs allowed?** Unfortunately, dogs are not allowed on the open events due to being in mixed groups. If you'd like to bring dogs you can book this challenge for a private group - please see our website for prices and then email or message us for dates.
2. **How many places are there?** We will be limiting our open challenges to 30 people so please book early to avoid disappointment; our Northumberland Six Peaks Challenges usually sell out within a week.
3. **Can this event be run any other time?** If you can't make this date please send us a message to discuss other dates and please check our website for prices for private bookings.
4. **Are there any cut off times?** At the moment there are no cut off times in place for the day, however this may change as we get closer to the challenge and you will find these out with route information soon. The challenge will start around 7am giving you the best chance of completing the challenge.
5. **Do I need to know how to use a map and compass?** No, each group will be guided by a qualified and experienced mountain leader.
6. **Can I run the route?** This is a walking only event and there is no option at the moment to run on the event.
7. **How fit do I need to be?** Please remember this is a challenge and a high level of fitness is needed and the route is challenging, this is by no means an easy day on the hill and a high level of fitness is required.
8. **Is there an age limit?** Yes, you must be over 18 to join these events or if you are over 16 you must have an adult present - please email us to discuss this before booking.
9. **Can I get more information?** If you would like more information about a specific event please email or call us to discuss this.

Just another note to add - please remember this is an outdoor challenge and the weather/conditions can have an effect on what we are able to do on the day. If the weather creates dangerous walking conditions or the clothing that you are wearing are not suitable, we may have to change the route. However, we will do whatever we can to avoid this situation and get everyone around as much of the route in a safe as possible manner, we will also provide a Kit List two months before the event.

**If you have any more questions please let us know and we'll be happy to help in any way we can.**

**Thanks again and I look forward to hopefully meeting a lot of you soon.**