

Camping, Glamping and Campervanning Safety at Tolpuddle



Safety tips for camping at the Tolpuddle Festival

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Whether camping, glamping or campervanning at this summer's Tolpuddle Martyrs Festival, we want you to have a safe and very enjoyable visit.

Make sure you enjoy your trip safely by following our simple tips.

General Safety

- When in campervans and tents please be conscious of the distance between you and your neighbour and keep away from parked cars, to reduce the risk of fire spreading.
- Make sure you know the campsite's fire safety arrangements and check where the nearest telephone is.

What to do if there is a fire

- Keep calm and get everyone away as quickly as you can.
- Call **999** and ask for the fire and rescue service and give the exact location; DT2 7EH

Staying in a tent

A fire can destroy a tent in 60 seconds.

Make sure you:

- never use candles in or near a tent; torches are safer
- keep cooking stoves and barbecues away from tent walls as they could easily set alight
- know how to escape by cutting your way out of the tent if there is a fire
 - don't smoke inside your tent
- never use BBQs inside or near the entrance of your tent – the carbon monoxide they produce can kill

Make sure everyone knows how to put out clothing that's on fire - *Stop, Drop and Roll*

Staying in a campervan

- Fit and regularly test a smoke alarm, optical alarms are usually most effective. We would also recommend that you install a carbon monoxide detector.
- Take special care when cooking, don't leave pans unattended.
- Turn off all appliances before you go to bed.
- Never dry clothes over the stove.
- Remove any litter and rubbish near the campervan to reduce the risk of fire spreading.
- Make sure the van is well ventilated to avoid a build up of poisonous gases; never block air vents.
- Consider keeping a fire extinguisher by the entrance, but always read the instructions before using it.

Chinese lanterns

The use of Sky or Chinese lanterns is not recommend due to the fire hazards and risks they pose to property, crops, livestock and the environment.



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