

Policy on Supervision Ratios for Leisure Activities

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We offer a variety of leisure activities, from full-day excursions to tourist attractions to a selection of sports.

For each activity students are accompanied by an activity leader, who may be a teacher, member of the administration staff, or activities staff. The activity leader has full instructions including what to do in the event of an emergency, and always has money and one of the school mobile phones. All under 18s are identified to the staff member accompanying the group. There are staff instructions for each activity.

Afternoon and evening excursions on public transport

Our ratio from September to June is 1:20
Our ration for July and August is 1:15

Full day excursions by coach

One member of staff per coach. Not more than 20 under 18s per coach.

NB The staff member is not expected to stay with the students for the whole day, but the students have the staff member's mobile number and the School Emergency Phone number, and the staff member has the students' phone numbers. Once they have finished any tours or visits the students are free to explore the town in small groups. **Students under 18** are placed in a group of minimum 4 students (2 under 18 + 2x18+) by the staff member. See the staff instructions document for full procedures.

Sports

Our ratio for sports activities is: 1:15

We do not claim to teach any of the sports we offer. The function of the sports group leader is to accompany the group to the venue and back, check everything is correct at the venue, organise teams, pairs etc for the actual sport and take appropriate action in the event of an accident (see the staff instructions document). The leader will usually join in with the activity if appropriate.

If a student wishes to take tennis, golf or horse riding lessons with a professional teacher we can organise these at one of the local clubs.

Information available for students to develop their own social activities

- Discover Devon, Visit Exeter: Copies are available for students in the Common Room
- Notice boards in the Common Room, with information about Exeter, sports and cultural activities/events.
- Our website www.starexeter.com