

Information for learning group leaders



Ring of Brodgar Stone Circle and Henge

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We look forward to welcoming your group. Please check for any closures before visiting: historicenvironment.scot/ring-of-brodgar
historicenvironment.scot/closures

Rangers contact
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Health and safety

It is the responsibility of learning group leaders to complete their own risk assessment prior to any visit with a group.

The hazard information provided does not replace a learning group leader's own risk assessment. We strongly recommend that you contact us to arrange a free planning visit.

Learning group leaders are responsible for their group members at all times.

Please check our website for the required supervision ratios:
historicenvironment.scot/learn/staffing-ratios

Weather

The weather may affect the risks on the day. Please dress for the outdoors (including appropriate footwear).

Hazards

- Moving traffic at drop off/pick up points.
- Road crossing may be required
- Slippery surfaces
- Steep slopes
- Uneven surfaces



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Arrangements for group travel

If arriving by coach or minibus please use the designated bus parking areas in the Brodgar carpark. For any group that has a blue badge there are two parking bays on the side of the road closer to the site.



Where to gather on arrival

The best places for groups to gather on arrival are beside the information boards in the car park, or just inside the gate by the parking bays.



Resources that can be provided

We are happy to welcome groups and can provide guided tours, a quiz and other activities on site. Available to borrow are clipboards, sit mats and a range of handling objects from the Neolithic period. Please contact the Ranger team in advance to arrange.



Space to leave bags

There is no secure, covered space on site to leave any bags.



Spaces for lunch, learning or additional support

There is no covered space on site. Maeshowe visitor centre has a learning space (see Maeshowe site information sheet). This needs to be booked with the Maeshowe staff and groups would have to make their own way there.

There is plenty of outdoor space on site to have lunch. We recommend to keep well away from the ring itself as it can be very busy. There is no shelter or seating available however we can loan sit mats by prior arrangement.



Shop

There is no shop.



Toilets

There are no toilets available on site. The nearest public toilets are two miles away in Stenness village, or at Maeshowe visitor centre.



Good to know

Your visit will be entirely outdoors so be prepared for all weather conditions as the weather in Orkney can be very changeable.