

# Schools and Groups

## Livestock Visits to the Box Moor Trust



School or group visits to our Livestock Barns and/or fields containing ewes and lambs must be carried out in compliance with our Risk Assessments. Class teachers and group leaders can use our Risk Assessments to inform their own Risk Assessments for the trip, taking account of the visitors who will be present.

The information below is in addition to the more general information sent to you about your visit to the Box Moor Trust.

### Visits to the Livestock Barns and/or livestock fields

- New or expectant mothers should not be involved in these activities. Please ensure that all potential participants have been warned of this. A reminder will be given by Box Moor Trust staff at the beginning of your visit.
- All visitors should wear wellington boots, walking boots or strong shoes capable of being washed due to the potential presence of faeces in the livestock fields.
- Long trousers (no shorts) are essential to reduce the risk of ticks from the long grass at this site.
- In fields containing livestock, classes and groups will be asked to walk quietly and calmly, to remain in a group and not to approach the animals.
- No eating or drinking will take place at any time whilst in the livestock fields.
- Stroking or feeding of animals in the fields is not possible.
- Please do not take carrier bags into these fields.
- All visitors will be asked to wash their hands at the end of the visit.

*If your trip includes a visit to the Livestock Barns, you will also have been provided with a 'Visits to Livestock Barns - Notice to Teachers/Group Leaders' form. Please sign and return this prior to your visit. **This form must be returned for the visit to take place.***

The additional information below will also apply to such visits.

### Visits to the Livestock Barns (additional requirements)

- All visitors should wear wellington boots or other equivalent washable footwear that can be dipped into disinfectant prior to entering the Livestock Barns area and then washed in the boot washer at the end of the visit.
- For biosafety reasons, no visitors will be permitted to enter the Livestock Barns area without dipping the soles of their shoes.
- For human health reasons, it is essential that all visitors wash their footwear on leaving the Livestock Barns area.
- Please advise if any member of your class or group uses a wheelchair or buggy as special arrangements will be made for access and cleaning the wheels.
- No prams will be permitted to enter the standing area by the Livestock Barns.

For further information, please visit our website: [www.boxmoortrust.org.uk](http://www.boxmoortrust.org.uk).