## We Welcome Schools and Groups with Children

Children's safety education and development are very important to the RNLI. However, the station is designed for Lifeboats and very large launching equipment. Despite its outside appearance space is limited for groups.

In order to balance the needs of an operational lifeboat station and the comfort and success of your visit we draw your attention to the following guidelines which are designed to help our young visitors make the most of their experience:-

- 1. Every child must be at least 7 years old (Key Stage 2 upwards) for full tours. We offer a shortened tour of 20 minutes for younger children and child/guardian ratios should be higher. We do not at any time take charge or responsibility for children in your group.
- 2. We can accommodate classes of up to 30 students, and possibly up to two classes per school (a total of 60 students plus staff) depending on volunteer availability. Classes must be accompanied by sufficient staff while they are with us (Please see terms and conditions).
- 3. If two class visits are possible they will be arranged for one to follow immediately after the other.
- 4. The tour usually lasts up to 45 minutes and we try to involve visitors in imagining what it might mean to prepare to go out on a rescue and reinforce safety messages
- 5. The leader of the group must fill a visitor pro forma after reading and agreeing the terms and conditions then email it unsigned via the website and you must bring another copy to be signed on arrival 6. Please book early to avoid disappointment.

Please complete and attach a visit form with your initial enquiry as it can save you and us a lot of time. You will not be asked to fill in another form. You only sign the form when you arrive

We look forward to seeing you!

I may be able to further assist with an additional pre visit to the RNLI Lifeguards (Exmouth Beach during the Summer) or put you in contact with an RNLI educational officer who can visit schools with material and explanations about our role and safety at sea

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