

Frequently Asked Questions for Teachers

What products do you offer for schools?

1. We offer 3-5 week tailor-made expeditions which focus on developing leadership and team work skills, building self-confidence and also facilitating young people to re-evaluate some of their beliefs, attitudes and assumptions, particularly around different cultures.
2. We also offer a Year 12/13 Global Citizenship and Leadership Programme. This is an 18 month programme which has been designed in response to the government and education agenda around improving global learning and community cohesion activities within schools. The programme aims to help schools in embedding an ethos that develops passionate, responsible, socio-cultural and globally aware students, enabling them to flourish in an increasingly global marketplace. I have attached further details of this programme above.

What are the benefits of a Raleigh tailor-made expedition?

Pupils:

- Team working skills
- Problem solving skills
- Leadership skills
- Risk management skills
- Cultural awareness
- Increased understanding of global and environmental issues
- Mentoring skills
- Development of communication, organisational and entrepreneurial skills
- Fostering self- reflection and creative thinking
- Heightened self awareness
- Increased self-confidence and 'can do' attitude
- Developing adaptability and perseverance attributes

School / Teachers:

- Embedding a school ethos that develops passionate, responsible, socio-cultural and globally aware students that enables them to flourish within an increasingly global market place.
- Professional and personal development opportunities for staff around international issues, citizenship and global learning and enabling them with a more participatory approach to teaching.
- Outputs designed in accordance with school objectives.
- An opportunity to retain students in or attract new students to your sixth form.
- Working in partnership with a specialist youth education charity to meet national curriculum objectives and to demonstrate support of government initiatives around social responsibility and global learning.

Who will be leading the expeditions?

We employ dedicated and highly qualified Raleigh project managers who are supported by our in-country director and programme manager, and a field base team, who is responsible for the logistics and administration for all our expeditions.

Who has duty of care on a Raleigh expedition?

Raleigh has overall responsibility for duty of care of all students.

What is the role of a participating teacher during the expedition?

We ask teachers to offer pastoral support to their students should the need arise. The expedition is led by Raleigh and teachers will not be in the position of a trip leader or assistant leader. Teachers have no responsibilities for the running of the trip, health and safety assessments and compliance or any practical issue.

In practical terms you might deal with behavioural issues e.g. smoking, rudeness but if the behaviour of the students is of a magnitude to affect the safety and continuation of the trip then Raleigh would determine if any strong action needs to be taken e.g. leaving a student out of an activity or sending them home.

Who liaises with the Local Authority?

The teacher / school

What are Raleigh's health and safety and risk assessment procedures?

Safety is our number one priority and our volunteers receive comprehensive safety training. Due to our experience we represented the Year Out Group in setting up the BS8848 specification for the provisions of visits, fieldwork, expeditions and adventurous activities outside the United Kingdom. We're one of the first organisations to do this and have our own safety manual. We focus on preventing accidents, but sometimes accidents do still occasionally happen. For this reason we have a robust Crisis Management Plan, comprehensive risk assessments and casualty evacuation and emergency plans for every project site in place, covering all eventualities from natural disasters and political instability to individual incidents. Our Operations Manager is able to offer further information as required.

Who is responsible for organising flights?

Raleigh is not ATOL bonded, however we are able to make a group booking for you and ask the travel agent to invoice the school.

What is the situation with insurance?

We have a comprehensive medical and personal accident insurance policy, offering the best medical care available and a repatriation service where necessary.



What support will the young people have for their fundraising?

Raleigh has a fundraising team that is able to provide lots of support and advice with fundraising, and there are also a number of trusts and foundations who support individual young people with overseas travel.

What is included in a Raleigh expedition?

Travel and Medical insurance (excluding personal belongings cover)
Pre-expedition training / briefing events and preparation
Support before you go and when you're there
Food and accommodation
Specialist equipment and all project materials
In-country transport

What is not included in a Raleigh Expedition?

Flights, visas, kit and vaccinations are not included in the expedition costs.

What does the commitment involve?

We ask that the teachers form the main point of contact for Raleigh, project managing the process from the school's end which includes assisting the students with administrative tasks such as filling in the application and medical forms and ensuring these forms are all passed on to Raleigh. They would also liaise with the students about briefing and training events. We also ask that the teachers are generally supportive and encouraging of the student's fundraising journey.