

AMWA Backpack Certificate Application Form

SECTION A -Award
Application to undertake Day / Overnight / Expedition ^{*1} backpack at Level 1 / 2 / 3 ^{*1}

SECTION B –Applicant details			
Name		Email	
Address		Tel No	
Age (if under 16) ^{*2}			
Entry qualifications	- Details of the prerequisites undertaken to enable you to enter for this award		
- Backpack	Day / Overnight / Expedition ^{*1} backpack at Level 1 / 2 / 3 ^{*1} undertaken on (enter date)		
- Tutorial	Undertaken on (enter date)		

SECTION C – Dog details			
Only list those dogs that are undertaking the award			
	Name	Entry Qualification	
Known as	As it's to appear on the certificate	Level	Date Undertaken
		Day/Overnight/Expedition ^{*1} at Level 1 / 2 / 3 ^{*1}	
		Day/Overnight/Expedition ^{*1} at Level 1 / 2 / 3 ^{*1}	

SECTION D – Companion details			
List all companions accompanying you. Companions undertaking the award in their own right must also be indicated and a separate form submitted by them			
		I have read and agree to the conditions detailed in section F	
Name	Undertaking award	Signed	Date Signed
	Y / N ^{*1}		
	Y / N ^{*1}		
	Y / N ^{*1}		
	Y / N ^{*1}		
	Y / N ^{*1}		

SECTION E –Parental / Guardian Consent details	
This section must be completed if the applicant is under 16 years of age on the first day of the backpack	
I _____ (name) am the legal parent /guardian ^{*1} of the applicant detailed in section B and I give my full consent for them to undertake the award detailed in section A. I will accompany them at all times on the award as a named companion.	
Signed:	Date:

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SECTION F - Conditions	
I undertake this award at my own risk.	
I am aware that acceptance of this application by AMWA does not imply that the route chosen is safe, nor that the equipment carried is adequate for the situations I may encounter. I accept that AMWA are only assessing whether or not this application meets the standards of the award applied for and that all other considerations are my own responsibility.	
I promise to take reasonable care of both myself, my companions and my dogs and that I will operate within the spirit of the rules and conditions laid out in the AMWA Backpacking Certificate Handbook. I will withdraw from the award if I believe that the safety of either myself, my companions or my dogs are at risk.	
I understand that AMWA only charges a fee to cover basic administration costs of the award and that once this application has been received by AMWA I am not entitled to monies back, even if I subsequently withdraw from the award. I understand that if (1) I postpone the attempt at the award before the expected start date and (2) I do not subsequently change any details of the attempt other than the start date; I may continue with the attempt at a later date under this application and fee.	
I am a member of AMWA and will remain so until the award has been completed (applicant only).	
I understand that AMWA strongly recommends that I purchase adequate insurance for both myself and my dog(s).	
APPLICANT ONLY - I have read and agree to the conditions detailed in section F	
Signed	Date

SECTION G – Application Checklist	
I enclose (Tick Box)	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Application Fee of £____ [£4.00 for the applicant plus £1.00 per dog. Companions are free]
<input type="checkbox"/>	Section D signed and dated by all companions
<input type="checkbox"/>	Section F signed and dated by applicant
<input type="checkbox"/>	Completed Route Plan – Section H
<input type="checkbox"/>	Emergency Plan – Section I
If applicant is under 16 years old	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Parental / Guardian Consent obtained. Section E signed

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Assessment Date	
Assessor	
Assessment Conclusion	Accept / Reject ^{*1}
I have reached the above conclusion for the reasons outlined in the assessment comments	
Signed:	Date:

Assessment Comments	
Section A	
Section B	
Section C	
Section D	
Section E	
Section F	
Section G	
Section H	
Section I	
Route Plan	
General Comments	

ACTION TO BE TAKEN BY APPLICANT

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SECTION H – Route Plan

A daily route plan must be submitted so that the assessors can determine whether or not the applicant has met the requirements of the award and has thought about how they will provide proof of it's completion. The level of detail provided should be commensurate with the level of difficulty of the award being attempted.

Additional days route plans may be found at the end of the application form.

Grid References and screen prints of maps can be acquired from the Ordnance Survey 'GetaMap' facility or from Google Maps or similar

Outline Details	
Anticipated Start Date	
Number of nights	
General Area	<i>le Forest of Dean</i>
Pre-start campsite address (if applicable)	
Number of people - Attempting award - Companions	- -
Number of dogs - Attempting Award - Companions	- -
Expected Pack Weights - Human - Dog	Pack Weight [] % of body weight (approx) [] Pack Weight [] % of body weight (approx) []

Proof of Attempt	
What is your general approach to proving that you have attempted the award?	
<input type="checkbox"/>	A date stamped photographic sequence of the journey showing key locations and a verifiable dated object (such as a photo of a newspaper)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (please detail)
General supporting information on the approach taken	

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Route Plan – Day 1	
Date	
Start Point <i>(grid reference or address)</i>	
Anticipated Start Time	
End Point Grid Reference	
End Point Campsite Address	
Anticipated End Time	
Mileage (in KM / Miles ^{*1})	
Proof of stay at campsite	Receipt / Photo / Other (Specify) ^{*1}
Anticipated Locations to acquire Water <i>(grid reference or address)</i>	
Anticipated Locations to acquire Food <i>(town name or address)</i>	
Proof of attempt	1)
- Key identifiable	2)
locations during day	3)
<i>(grid reference)</i>	4)
Terrain Details - % of days route on each surface	
- Roads / Tracks	
- National Trails	
- Bridleways	
- Footpaths	
- Unmarked paths	
MAP – Provide either a description, a drawing, screen prints, image files or photos of the days route map. Please provide as much information as possible.	

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SECTION I – Emergency Plan

Details of your considerations on how you will ensure the safety of both yourself, your dogs and your companion.

Prior to undertaking the award we ask that you discuss with your companion how and when you would enact emergency procedures. Pay particular attention to the limits of what each of you can and would do, and also when and how you would call in outside help. Also consider how and when you would use the first-aid kit. We suggest that you do not totally rely on your companion for help as they may be the injured one.

EQUIPMENT

Are you carrying all the mandatory equipment listed in the certificate handbook?

Y / N ^{*1}

If you are not carrying all the mandatory equipment, please list what you are not taking and why not

NAVIGATION

List the navigation equipment you will be using

What is your fallback position if your navigation equipment fails or gets lost ie:- water damage?

If there is more than one of you undertaking the award, how will you split the navigation to ensure that everyone knows where they are at all times and can navigate out of danger?

Have you trained with the navigation equipment and know how to use it by yourself in an emergency?

Y / N ^{*1}

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DEALING WITH A MAJOR PROBLEM

What is your general procedure if you or your companion has a major problem

What is your general procedure if your dog has a major problem
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GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS	
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Have you considered insurance?	Y / N ^{*1}
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Have you considered insurance cover for your dog?	Y / N ^{*1}
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Are you carrying a mobile phone	Y / N ^{*1}
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What is your fallback if your mobile doesn't work?
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Pre-trip training – What recent training have you undertaken to ensure that both you, your companion and your dogs are fit and adequately prepared for the level of award being undertaken
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Route Plan – Day 3	
Date	
Start Point Campsite Address	
Anticipated Start Time	
End Point Grid Reference	
End Point Campsite Address	
Anticipated End Time	
Mileage (in KM / Miles ^{*1})	
Proof of stay at campsite	Receipt / Photo / Other (Specify) ^{*1}
Anticipated Locations to acquire Water <i>(grid reference or address)</i>	
Anticipated Locations to acquire Food <i>(town name or address)</i>	
Proof of attempt	1)
- Key identifiable	2)
locations during day	3)
<i>(grid reference)</i>	4)
Terrain Details - % of days route on each surface	
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Route Plan – Day 4	
Date	
Start Point Campsite Address	
Anticipated Start Time	
End Point Grid Reference	
End Point Campsite Address	
Anticipated End Time	
Mileage (in KM / Miles ^{*1})	
Proof of stay at campsite	Receipt / Photo / Other (Specify) ^{*1}
Anticipated Locations to acquire Water <i>(grid reference or address)</i>	
Anticipated Locations to acquire Food <i>(town name or address)</i>	
Proof of attempt	1)
- Key identifiable	2)
locations during day	3)
<i>(grid reference)</i>	4)
Terrain Details - % of days route on each surface	
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Route Plan – Day 5	
Date	
Start Point Campsite Address	
Anticipated Start Time	
End Point Grid Reference	
End Point Campsite Address	
Anticipated End Time	
Mileage (in KM / Miles ^{*1})	
Proof of stay at campsite	Receipt / Photo / Other (Specify) ^{*1}
Anticipated Locations to acquire Water <i>(grid reference or address)</i>	
Anticipated Locations to acquire Food <i>(town name or address)</i>	
Proof of attempt	1)
- Key identifiable	2)
locations during day	3)
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Route Plan – Day 6	
Date	
Start Point Campsite Address	
Anticipated Start Time	
End Point Grid Reference	
End Point Campsite Address	
Anticipated End Time	
Mileage (in KM / Miles ^{*1})	
Proof of stay at campsite	Receipt / Photo / Other (Specify) ^{*1}
Anticipated Locations to acquire Water <i>(grid reference or address)</i>	
Anticipated Locations to acquire Food <i>(town name or address)</i>	
Proof of attempt	1)
- Key identifiable	2)
locations during day	3)
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Route Plan – Day 7	
Date	
Start Point Campsite Address	
Anticipated Start Time	
End Point Grid Reference	
End Point Campsite Address	
Anticipated End Time	
Mileage (in KM / Miles ^{*1})	
Proof of stay at campsite	Receipt / Photo / Other (Specify) ^{*1}
Anticipated Locations to acquire Water <i>(grid reference or address)</i>	
Anticipated Locations to acquire Food <i>(town name or address)</i>	
Proof of attempt	1)
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locations during day	3)
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Route Plan – Day 8	
Date	
Start Point Campsite Address	
Anticipated Start Time	
End Point Grid Reference	
End Point Campsite Address	
Anticipated End Time	
Mileage (in KM / Miles ^{*1})	
Proof of stay at campsite	Receipt / Photo / Other (Specify) ^{*1}
Anticipated Locations to acquire Water <i>(grid reference or address)</i>	
Anticipated Locations to acquire Food <i>(town name or address)</i>	
Proof of attempt	1)
- Key identifiable	2)
locations during day	3)
<i>(grid reference)</i>	4)
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Route Plan – Day 9	
Date	
Start Point Campsite Address	
Anticipated Start Time	
End Point <i>(grid reference or address)</i>	
Anticipated End Time	
Mileage (in KM / Miles ^{*1})	
Proof of stay at campsite	Receipt / Photo / Other (Specify) ^{*1}
Anticipated Locations to acquire Water <i>(grid reference or address)</i>	
Anticipated Locations to acquire Food <i>(town name or address)</i>	
Proof of attempt	1)
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