**WINTER MOUNTAIN LEADER TRAINING**

**PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME**

Please note that the programme described below is provisional. Course and participant needs, weather and snow conditions may necessitate some changes. This programme should be viewed in conjunction with the MTS Winter Mountain Leader Guidance for Trainers and Assessors & Winter Mountain Leader Candidate Handbook.

Syllabus Section 7, navigation, 10, Access, Conservation and the Environment will be addressed continuously and appropriately throughout the course.

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| **Day** | SESSION | **EARLY EVENING**  **17:30-18:30** | | **LATE EVENING** |
| 1 | **Personal Intros** Log Books **About the WML scheme**  **“Role & Qualities of a Winter ML”** – Workshop. Syllabus 1&2.  **Planning the day;**   * **Personal Kit Organisation** – equipment carried by winter ML, syllabus section 5 * **Weather & Avalanche Observation Skills** – looking at relevant information gathering prior to going onto the hill inc. BAA model. Syllabus sections 3.   **Day 1 Leadership & Decision Making, syllabus 2;**  Demonstration & practise of key syllabus sections 2 and 6, Snowcraft & Walking Skills depending on weather & conditions. | **Standard Avalanche talk**  Theory and background to avalanche avoidance | |  |
| 2 | **Planning the day;**   * Weather & Avalanche Observation Skills syllabus 3.   **Day 2 Leadership & Decision making and snowcraft;**  Demonstration & practise of key syllabus sections 2 & 6 depending on weather & conditions. Emphasis on Syllabus section 9, Teaching & Learning Skills.  End of day rope work refresher. Syllabus 8.7. | **Winter Navigation talk**  Techniques for navigating in winter conditions | |  |
| 3 | Planning the day;  * Weather & Avalanche Observation Skills  Security on Steep Ground Demonstration & practise of key syllabus section 8 with the main emphasis on the technical aspects of Security on Steep Ground. | **WML Avalanche talk**  Detailed knowledge & discussion | |  |
| 4 | Planning the day;  * Weather & Avalanche Observation Skills. Syllabus 3.  Steep Ground Journey A journey involving scenarios allowing group management issues (both roped and unroped) on steep ground. Putting into practise syllabus sections covered on days 1-3. | **Exped pack & prep (rations issued)** | | **Complete self appraisal forms** |
| 5 | Planning the exped;  * Weather & Avalanche Observation Skills   Depart 0930 hrs latest  Consolidation of syllabus sections covered on days 1-4 including syllabus section 7. There will be a focus on Hazards and Emergency Procedures, Syllabus section 4. | Emergency Snow shelters or snow hole, plus poor visibility navigation, conditions dependant. | | |
| 6 | Exped Return approx. 1400 hrs and Degunge/hand back kit.Exped & Course Review – an opportunity for participants to share their experiences of the week.Between training & assessment talk **1:1 Debriefs;** using self-appraisal forms on how best to consolidate their experiences of the course with a view to eventual assessment.  End 1700 hrs |  |  | |