

GOLDEN HIND MUSEUM SHIP BRIXHAM SAFETY & HAZARD INFORMATION

PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS NOT A RISK ASSESSMENT

Teachers and organisers should follow DfE guidelines and complete their own risk assessment. The purpose of this information is to provide as much detail as possible to help organisers to ensure that they are satisfied that the Golden Hind (GH) is suitable for their group, and to help them to identify the steps that they should take in preparation for the visit.

The GH is a full size replica ship with uneven decks, low and small doorways and in some areas poor lighting. We endeavor to make the GH as safe as possible whilst offering visitors an opportunity to experience the days of Tudor England & Pirates. This information in line with good practice, aims to highlight potential hazards on board, albeit rarely, if at all, and the steps that GH have taken to minimize risks for visitors to the ship.

GENERAL SAFETY MEASURES

Organisers are welcome and encouraged to make a planning pre-visit (at no charge) to discuss the visit with the ship before bringing the group on board.

Organisers are responsible for ensuring that there are enough helpers. Students should be accompanied by a minimum of 1 helper per 6 students. We suggest one adult for every 6 students. Helpers must know who is in charge and be responsible at all times for supervising their students whilst embarking, on board and disembarking. Organisers should use the website to familiarize themselves with the ship and its location, before the visit.

The organisers and Golden Hind Museum staff do not accept any responsibility for the consequences of an accident or injury on board the ship.

should advise the GH of any special Educational Needs in advance of their visit to help ensure th

Naturally students will be excited. It is important that everyone has an enjoyable and safe visit. It is the school's responsibility to ensure that staff and students are fully briefed on the content of the visit. To assist in this and help with the pre-brief of the group the ship's 'Golden Rules' are li

Students under the age of 16 must be supervised at all times

No running - 'walk only'

No climbing or pulling any ropes, rigging, cords or chains

No hanging over the sides of the ship or climbing onto the edges of the ship

Take care when moving around decks especially, if the decks are wet underfoot

Wear suitable footwear at all times - flat soled rubber fully enclosed shoes are recommended

Mobile phones should only be used in an emergency

No eating or drinking on board

Observe safety signage and ascend and descend steep staircases like a ladder as indicated onboard

Hazard Identified	Risk and to whom	Existing Control Measures	Further
Cars/buses on the road next to the Harbour	Could be struck or knocked over Trips, slips, falls Traffic on public highway All visitors and staff		Students school org
Fixtures and fittings are in keeping with	Scratch fingers, drop items	Ship staff give verbal warning if handling any items Ship staff monitor on board equipment closely	Students r all times

locations on outdoor and indoor decks (some are narrow)	All visitors and staff	<p>which must be used when ascending or descending.</p> <p>The main decks and passageways are of an easier gradient to assist access.</p> <p>The highest 'poop-deck' at the rear of the ship is of a steeper gradient and visitors are advised to take extra care.</p> <p>All steeply sloping stair ladders must be ascended/descended like a ladder, i.e. facing the steps</p> <p>The treads all have non-slip nosings.</p>	all times Students n by ship sta
Uneven surfaces on deck due to wood planks	<p>Trips, fall, injury</p> <p>Getting heels caught in gaps</p> <p>All visitors and staff</p>	<p>Some decks have handrails.</p> <p>Safety notices are in place.</p> <p>No running policy on board.</p> <p>All decks are treated with non-slip paint (grit finish).</p>	<p>Students r</p> <p>all times.</p> <p>Appropria</p> <p>to be worn</p> <p>Observanc</p>
Brixham is a working harbour	<p>Entering the water</p> <p>All visitors</p>	<p>Railings run around most of the harbour edge, care should be taken at all times</p> <p>There is a life buoy in the old market place area adjacent to the ship</p>	School to l
Falling off the ship	<p>Entering the water</p> <p>All visitors</p>	<p>The gunnels (balustrades) of the ship are at heights to prevent people falling over board if they trip on deck</p> <p>Strict 'no climbing or sitting on gunnels' policy</p> <p>'Man overboard' procedure whereby staff once aware of an incident will throw a line to the person in the water and call 999 for assistance.</p>	<p>School to l</p> <p>Students s</p> <p>all times ;</p> <p>provided b</p>
Gangplank - height varies depending upon water levels in the harbour. The ship is fully mobile some natural movement due to the water levels changing continuously can be expected	<p>Trips, slips, falls</p> <p>Queasiness due to movement</p> <p>All visitors and staff</p>	<p>The gangplank has solid timber handrails and guard rails which should be used at all times and particularly at high tide, when the gang plank is at a steeper angle.</p> <p>The gangway planking has treads for improved grip and is coated with non-slip paint. Safety netting is attached and cargo safety net runs under the gangplank.</p> <p>The immediate step off area from the gangplank to board the ship is an area of non-slip.</p> <p>Staff will be on hand to assist as may be required with embarkation/disembarkation</p>	<p>Students r</p> <p>all times di</p> <p>Students 1</p> <p>movement</p>

off the ship	group All students	school but for safety reasons cannot be locked or fixed shut when the ship is occupied	all times
Inside and outside decks	Trips, slips, falls, damage to displays All visitors and staff	Ship inspected daily by staff Area damaged cordoned off by staff until repaired or damaged item removed from display Exhibits roped off from public/in display cabinets Use of hand rails All glass in display casings is toughened to prevent accidents should heavy weight be in contact with the glass Ship's safety signage is in place Onboard staff enforce the 'walk only policy' The decks are kept 'clutter free' Large groups can be split in to smaller groups when exploring the decks	Students 1 all times Any damage reported to Observanc briefed by Appropria to be worn Observanc
Fire on board	Injury, failure to escape quickly All visitors and staff	Fire and electrical certificates are in place and safety checks carried out in line with statutory requirements Fire alarms are fitted throughout the ship An evacuation procedure in place Fire extinguisher provision is assessed, provided and annually serviced by Devon & Cornwall Fire Protection Ltd. Extinguishers are situated and labeled throughout the ship	Students 1 all times Any suspic reported to
Low atmospheric lighting	Trips, falls All visitors and staff	No areas are in total darkness Display and floor lighting is adequate, akin to "shipboard life" Emergency lighting illuminates the direction of the exit in the event of a power failure Emergency lighting units are checked regularly and maintained	Students 1 visit
Climbing ropes/rigging	Fall/injury All visitors	Clear signs are displayed stating that climbing of the rigging is strictly prohibited. It is prohibited to pull on any line or rope on the ship The ship is inspected regularly by staff Onboard staff enforce the 'no climbing' policy if they see someone acting inappropriately	Students n visit
Hot weather	De-hydration/sunburn All visitors	Time on outside decks can be limited as requested by organisers	Students 1 all times Sunscreen
On-board accident	Injury	There is a BT landline telephone and staff carry mobile phones	Students 1

		the event of an emergency	has a good responsible
Loss of belongings	All visitors	Baggage and personal belongings remains with visitors at all times Lost property can be reported to a member of staff Found property can be handed in to a member of staff	Students times when Organisers bring on tl

All visitors enter the Golden Hind at their own risk and are advised to take particular care when warnings are given. Children under 16's must be supervised by adults and it is the responsibility of those adults to ensure appropriate care is taken. The Golden Hind will not be responsible for visitors for any accident happening or injury suffered by them or damage to their possessions whilst visiting the Golden Hind in Brixham.

CCTV is in operation on selected areas of the ship for the safety of visitors and by boarding the ship, visitors accept the terms of the conditions of use. Golden Hind staff may refuse to permit boarding to any person(s) whom they deem unfit to access the ship. Golden Hind staff may request anyone to leave the ship, if their behavior is disruptive to others or an unacceptable risk to the crew or visitors.
