

# SCOTTISH ACCESS RIGHTS AT A GLANCE

## Argyll Outdoor Navigation

You must exercise access rights responsibly. A summary of your main responsibilities are listed below:

### 1. **Take personal responsibility for your own actions**

By caring for your own safety, by recognising that the outdoors is a working environment and taking account of natural hazards.

Taking special care if you are responsible for other people as a guide to ensure that they enjoy the outdoors responsibly and in safety.

### 2. **Respect people's privacy**

By using a path or track, if there is one, or when you are close to a house or garden.

If there is no path or track, keep a sensible distance from property, avoiding ground that overlooks them.

Take care not to act in ways, which may annoy or alarm people, and at night, taking extra care by keeping away from property where people might not be expecting to see anyone. Follow paths and tracks.

### 3. **Help land managers and others to work safely and effectively**

Do not hinder a land management operation, keep a safe distance and obey all warning signs.

Follow any precautions taken or reasonable recommendations made by the land manager, such as to avoid an area or route when hazardous operations, such as tree felling and crop spraying are underway.

Checking to see what other alternatives there are before entering a field with animals and crops.

Avoid causing damage to crops by using paths or tracks or the outside margins of a field.

Do not feed any animals.

Leave all gates as you find them.

### 4. **Care for the environment**

Do not intentionally disturb or destroy plants, birds or other animals or geological features.

Follow any voluntary agreements between land managers and recreation bodies.

Do not damage or disturb cultural heritage sites.

Don not cause any pollution and take away all litter.

Keep your dog on a lead.

Take care if you are running a business or organising an event. You can do this by contacting and obtaining permission from the relevant land management.

More details can be obtained by visiting the [Scottish Outdoors Access Code web site](#)