

DA VOAR REDD UP 2017
GUIDELINES AND SUGGESTIONS



Dear Redd Up Supervisor,

Thank you for taking part in Da Voar Redd Up 2017. I enclose the following important information regarding this years Redd Up.

Please inform Shetland Amenity Trust, e-mail: info@shetlandamenity.org or tel. 01595 694688, when you have completed your Redd Up so we can arrange free pick-up and disposal.

Please tie all bags to avoid spillage and, if at all possible, use nets or other weights to prevent the bags blowing around.

Due to increased costs/reduced funding, please retain used gloves and hi-vis vests for re-use by your redd up group in future years. Any unused gloves and bags can either be retained by the group for use next year or returned to the Trust.

Please remember to complete and return your survey form, this allows you to request Community Council funding and helps us to assess the impact of the Redd Up to attract funding for the event.

Young Scot Card holders can earn reward points for taking part. Simply e-mail info@shetlandamenity.org following your Redd Up confirming the names of those with Young Scot Cards who took part, and we will e-mail you electronic vouchers.

Safety Points

Make sure your group is suitably dressed for the event and ensure volunteers wear the supplied gloves. If you are organising a Redd Up along a road, please use hi-vis vests.

Make sure you have parent's permission for their bairns to take part and ensure you have adequate supervision/adult assistance – at least one adult per ten bairns. When working near pools and burns, supervisors and bairns should be able to swim.

Ensure your group has a First Aid Kit, and someone who knows how to use it.

Designate a rallying point were volunteers can congregate and hold a head count before and after the event.

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Things to Avoid/Note

Please brief all members of your group on the following:

Burning Bruck - Do not burn Redd Up materials under any circumstances. This causes significant environmental pollution and results in plastics being melted, making it impossible to remove.

Needles, Syringes and Chemicals etc. - Do not touch any medical refuse (e.g. needles), drums or containers with liquid in them, car batteries, dead animals etc. If possible take photos, and inform Shetland Amenity Trust of its location.

Flares, Gas Bottles/Canisters - Do not touch nor approach any pressurised gas containers or flare like objects, these can sometimes look like firework tubes. Mark the site from a safe distance and contact Shetland Amenity Trust.

Wood - Leave all wood in situ. This is often "wrack wood" and belongs to someone.

Seaweed - Please do not bag seaweed, this is natural and should be left on our beaches and coastlines.

Birds - Please take great care not to disturb nesting birds. If you find any dead birds leave in situ and check for rings. If the dead bird has a ring, please carefully record its number, the date and location and report to Dave Okill: 01595 880450; david@auroradesign.plus.com.

Dog Poo – Please do not pick up bagged or unbagged dog poo.

Eggcases and Lobster Trap Tags – If you come across these items please take a note of the date and place found and hand them in to the Trust.

Promote your contribution

We would love to receive your Redd Up facts, videos and pictures, especially before, during and after to show your positive impact. Tell us why your group takes part, your most unusual and common objects found, etc.

E-mail your pictures, videos and facts to the Trust: info@shetlandamenity.org.

Please remember: Ensure the safety of your group at all times; Tie and secure your bags to stop them blowing around; Contact the Trust once your Redd Up is completed; Complete and return your survey form; If possible, retain used gloves and vests for use in future years; either retain or return unused bags and gloves to the Trust.

We hope you enjoy Da Voar Redd Up 2017, and if you require any further information, please contact the Trust on (01595) 694688 or e-mail info@shetlandamenity.org.