

# Raft Building



**Age:**  
6+



**Group size:**  
Up to 12



**Duration:**  
1 hour 30 minutes



## What is raft building?

- Traditional rafting is about paddling along on a raft made from wooden poles, rope, and barrels. You'll work together in teams to build your raft before testing it on our moat.

## Learning outcomes

- Teamwork, communication, trust
- Overcoming fears, planning, design
- Agility, balance, and coordination

## Typical session structure

- Learning/using pioneering skills to build a raft.
- Get on the water and paddle around our moat.
- Finishing with team games on the water if time allows.

## What to wear

- This activity is all outside, so waterproof/warm clothing when it's wet/cold.
- Bring spare shoes/clothes in case of splashing!

## What to expect from us and what do we need from you?

- We will provide a suitably trained instructor to deliver this activity which will be in accordance with the relevant parts of [POR](#) (9.7, 9.42-9.46, 9.48, 9.49).
- We will provide buoyancy aids for all participants and ensure the worthiness of our rafting equipment.
- You will need to** ensure all participants are competent swimmers.
- You will need to** provide the leaders to supervise your group in accordance with the [Adult to Young People ratios](#) which specifies that this will be **1:6 for beavers, 1:8 for cubs and 1:12 for scouts** (and for other organisations, following the relevant guidance within your organisation).

## Did you know that this activity counts towards:



Beavers My Adventure Challenge Award



Cubs Water Activities Activity Badge



Cubs Pioneer Activity Badge



Cubs Our Adventure Challenge Award



Scouts Pioneer Activity Badge



Scouts Adventure Challenge Award



Time on the Water 1



Paddle Sports Stage 1



Nautical Skills Stage 1



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