

## **THE JLF TREK EXTREME WEATHER POLICY**

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In the event of extreme weather or surrounding conditions, and in the interests of participants' safety, The Jodi Lee Foundation reserves the right to cancel or delay any part of The JLF Trek at short notice. Cancelled events will not be rescheduled.

Contingency plans may be implemented when the following weather conditions occur at any point along the route and or at the location of the command centre:

- Ambient temperature > 36 degrees Celsius during any part of the trek
- Wind speed > 60km per hour and / or gusts of > 90km per hour
- Severe wind conditions that stands down Park rangers / staff from accessing a section of the trek
- Excessive rainfall within 24 hours prior to the trek or predicted during any days of the trek
- Lightning and atmospheric conditions over any part of the trek
- Catastrophic fire danger rating / total fire ban declared
- Code Red issued for any part of the trek
- Any adverse impediments that may occur over the event courses that are deemed to be a safety hazard.  
Examples may include road closure, vehicle accident, fallen trees, flooding, bush fire, controlled burn.

In the situation that the event will be adversely affected by extreme weather, consultation between the The Jodi Lee Foundation, Event Managers Australia and relevant authorities will occur and the event/s may be suspended, postponed or cancelled as appropriate.

### **PARTICIPANT RESPONSIBILITY**

It is the responsibility of the participant/parent/guardian to ensure that participants use sunscreen, drink plenty of water, wear appropriate clothing and take advantage of refreshment stops provided for the event they are participating in. It is the responsibility of the participant/parent/guardian to make appropriate decisions about whether to start or continue participating based on their physical condition.

### **NOTIFICATION**

Notification of cancellation or modification on the day of the event will occur at the earliest possible opportunity. This may be at the bus loading time, at the start location or if the cancellation or modification is later this will be done at checkpoints by the on-site managers. A SMS message will also be sent but this will be a secondary notification.

In the case of event cancellation, all on route support including, but not limited to, checkpoints, support vehicles and communications, will be stood down.

### **PARTICIPANT REFUND**

If The JLF Trek event is cancelled by The Jodi Lee Foundation because of extreme weather as outlined above, participants will not be entitled to any refund of fundraising or registration money. We appreciate your understanding of our no refund policy.

The Jodi Lee Foundation cannot take responsibility for any other out-of-pocket costs incurred by participants in the event of cancellation.