



Hazard Information for teachers

Dirleton Castle

Dirleton Castle is situated in Dirleton village, 3 miles west of North Berwick on the A198. The castle is set on a rocky knoll within lovely gardens and dates from the 13th century.

It is the responsibility of teachers and group leaders to complete a risk assessment prior to any site visit with a group. This is a requirement of most education authorities. The following information is intended as a preparatory tool and does not replace a teacher's or group leader's own risk assessment.

Please be aware that changes in weather may affect the risks inherent in an outdoor site. Pupils should dress for outdoors.

For more information about hazards at Dirleton, or to arrange a free pre-visit, please contact the monument manager on **01620 850330**.



Potential hazards at Dirleton Castle

Pedestrian access to site

- Car and coach parking in council car park 100m from the entrance.

External Hazards

- Uneven steps from gardens up to castle. Three steps up to drawbridge.
- Steep banks around castle.
- Dry grassy ditch around castle.

Internal Hazards

- Some uneven surfaces.
- Two spiral stairs within castle.
- Some low doorways on site; caution should be used when entering or exiting an area.
- Stone floor surfaces may be slippery when wet.
- Low lighting throughout.
- Barriers in place where needed on low walls or open windows.