



2024 UKRO CHALLENGE
HAMPSHIRE & ISLE OF WIGHT FESTIVAL OF RESCUE

Festival of Rescue 2024 Competitor Welcome Pack



Welcome to the UKRO Festival of Rescue 2024

We are thrilled to have you joining us in the vibrant city of Portsmouth for this year's challenge event. Over two days we will host teams from across the nation and around the world, competing in gripping events such as vehicle extrication, trauma care, rope rescue, water rescue, and a Fire Cadets' challenge.

Our community village, in collaboration with our partners, aims to share vital awareness and promote safety within our communities. Everyone at Hampshire and Isle of Wight Fire and Rescue Service (HIWFRS) extend our heartfelt thanks for your support and look forward to this years' Festival of Rescue.

Should you have any questions regarding the information in this handbook, or the event in general, please feel free to contact us at ukro@hantsfire.gov.uk.

For any UKRO-related inquiries, you can reach out to Guy Goodman, national challenge coordinator:

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We can't wait to see you there!










Please use this QR code to link to the UKRO website with the latest programme details.



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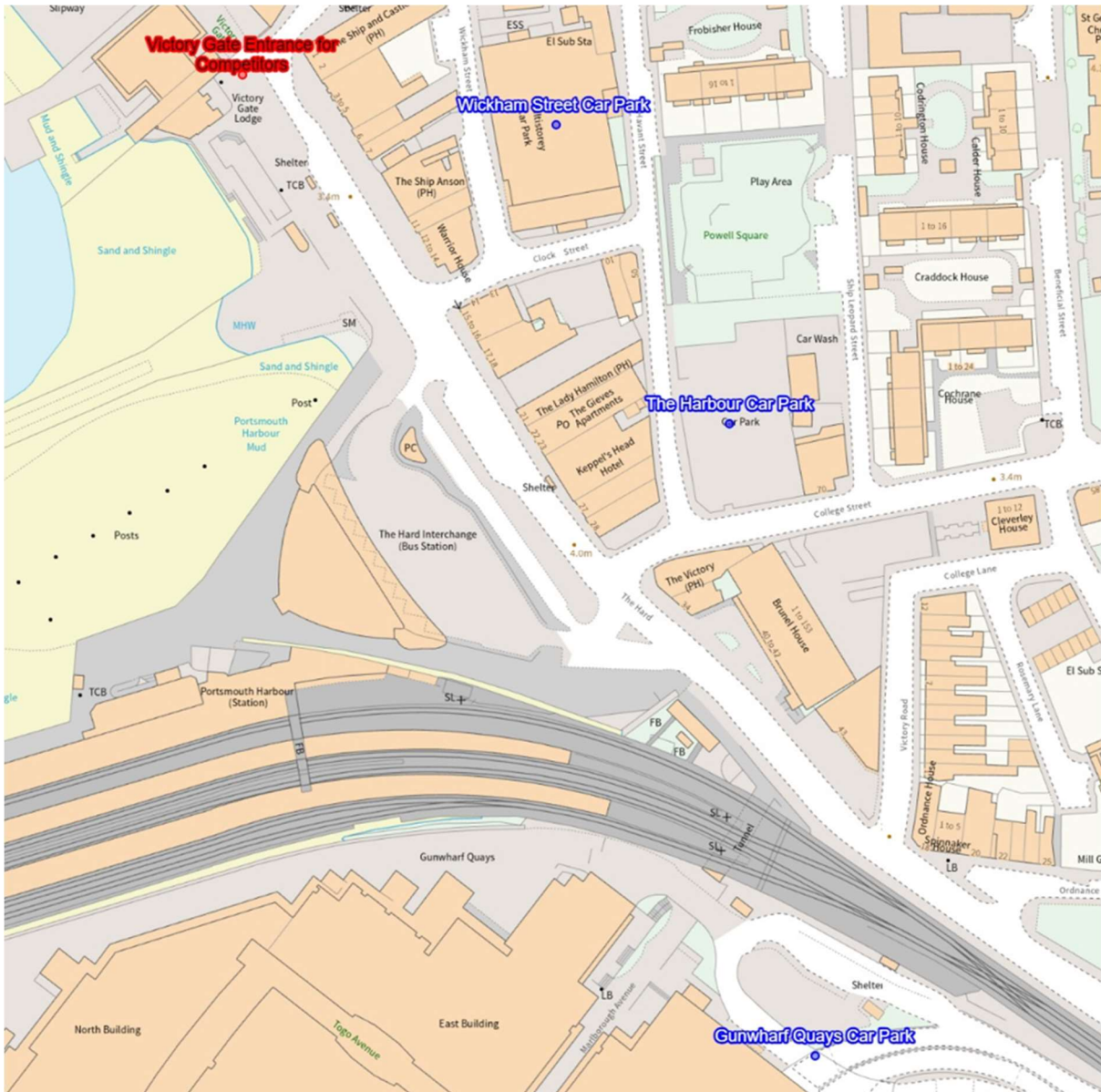
Venues

Please note that all venues will be open to the public throughout the events, so please be mindful when moving your equipment and travelling through the sites.

<p>Historic Dockyard Victory Gate HM Naval Base Portsmouth PO1 3LJ</p>	    <p>TRAUMA CARE WATER RESCUE ROPE RESCUE UKRO Fire Cadet Casualty Care Challenge</p>
<p>Gunwharf Quays and Spinnaker Tower Portsmouth PO1 3TZ</p>	  <p>VEHICLE EXTRICATION ROPE RESCUE</p>
<p>The Hub Bishopstoke Rd Eastleigh SO50 6LA</p>	 <p>WATER RESCUE</p>

Team registration

Registration will take place in the Historic Dockyard. All teams please arrive via the Victory Gate entrance. There are further details on accessing the Historic Dockyard on page 5.



The registration desk will be open:

- 1200 to 2000 on Thursday 26 September
- 0800 to 1200 on Friday 27 September

Transport

- By car, Gunwharf Quays and the Portsmouth Historic Dockyard are less than 5 miles from Junction 12 of the M27, follow the brown and white signs to 'Historic Dockyard'.
- The Historic Dockyard is only accessible via the pedestrian entrance at Victory Gate, so you will need to park your vehicle offsite and walk to the venue
- The closest train station is Portsmouth Harbour, and the bus station is The Hard Interchange Bus and Coach Station. This is located just a couple of minutes' walk from both Gunwharf Quays and the Historic Dockyard.
- The Gosport Ferry and Wightlink foot-passenger terminal are both only five minutes' walk away.

Parking

We have negotiated a preferential rate at 2 carparks close to the competition venues. The cost is £3.90 per vehicle, per 24 hours. Simply take your ticket to the parking office and show your event lanyard and badge.

- [Wickham Street Car Park](#), Portsea, Portsmouth PO1 3EF is located just 350m from the Historic Dockyard and Gunwharf Quays, respectively. This carpark has a **height restriction of 2m**, opens at 0800 and closes overnight at 1945 on Thursday and Friday, and 2100 on Saturday.
- [Gunwharf Quays Car Park](#), 79 Park Road, Portsmouth PO1 3FD is open 24-hours and has a **height restriction of 2.2m**.

Alternative car parks

- [The Harbour Car Park](#), Havant St, Portsea, Portsmouth PO1 3EQ is £12.40 for 24 hours, and has no height restriction.
- [Historic Dockyard Car Park](#), Admiralty Road, HM Naval Base, Portsmouth PO1 3GW located just 400yds from the Historic Dockyard entrance, with a height restriction of 2.1m.

While in Portsmouth

The Festival of Rescue is taking place right in the heart of the city, surrounded by a plethora of places to [eat and drink](#), and [things to do](#).

Gunwharf Quays has over 30 [bars, restaurants and cafés](#), and [leisure activities](#).

Portsmouth Historic Dockyard

The Historic Dockyard is a mixed-use site where you may encounter members of the public, naval personnel, and civilian workers. It is part of an active naval base, and as such has some additional security measures in place:

- Please take care when on site and pay attention to the safety notices around the site.
- MoD Police and Hampshire and Isle of Wight Constabulary undertake patrols, both armed and unarmed, with and without sniffer dogs in the Historic Dockyard and on The Hard.
- Please do not leave your bags unattended at any time. Unattended bags may be removed for security reasons. All bags will be searched upon entry to the site. This is a standard security measure to ensure the safety of everyone on site.

Competitors will be provided with a UKRO-branded ID card during registration. Please have this visible when entering the Historic Dockyard site, to speed up your entry.

There are several prohibited items, please take note:

- Bikes and scooters
- Suitcases
- Dogs
- Alcohol
- Guns
- Knives, scissors and multi-tools*
- Drones

Some of the challenges will take place within paid-for visitor attractions. This includes HMS Warrior, HMS Victory, and the Spinnaker Tower. Access to these areas will be limited to competitors involved in the challenge, and only during the time of the challenge.

Action Stations, normally chargeable, will be free of charge to all visitors and competitors throughout the competition.

*If you have got specific equipment, i.e. PFD rescue knives and scissors / sharps within trauma packs, please liaise with us upon registration for advice on bringing them onsite.

Code of Conduct

UKRO Festival of Rescue Code of Conduct It is the responsibility of all those taking part and volunteering at UKRO to adhere to this Code of Conduct whilst participating in or carrying out duties or activities in support of this event. This involves:

- Being honest, considerate and fair
- Treating others with dignity
- Being tolerant of other views and ideas
- Being helpful to others
- Maintaining confidentiality and have respect for privacy

Teams/competitors must also:

- Manage their members in line with this Code of Conduct.
- Agree to all instruction as directed by event staff or their representatives throughout the event.
- Immediately inform HIWFRS event staff in the event of witnessing a safety incident.
- Report any safeguarding concerns or allegations to event staff.

Extrication and trauma teams

All Extrication and trauma teams are reminded to bring with them a dummy /empty oxygen cylinder for use in their events.

Safety briefing

This will be included in the captain's briefings at 1800 on Thursday 26 September. You will be advised on the location of the captain's briefings at registration and via the update on the UKRO website.

Event support

We have a comprehensive communications/command structure in place. Stewards, marshals and volunteers will be available to assist you wherever possible. These individuals will be easily identifiable. Please contact them for any support you require.

First aid

First Aid will be provided in both the Historic Dockyard and Gunwharf Quays. In case of a medical situation, please notify your sector event staff and the medical team will be called.

Any injuries or near misses must be reported to:

Laura Taylor, HIWFRS H&S Manager – **M:** 07772827606

Helen Crampton, UKRO H&S lead – **M:** 07768 793498

Photography

Photographs and video footage will be taken throughout UKRO. Taking part in this event will be taken as agreement that this may be used in publicity during and post event by both HIWFRS and/or UKRO for publicity purposes, during and post event on social media and promotional materials and may also be published on our website.

If you do not wish to appear in any images, please make yourself known to the event marshals, or official photographers, so that appropriate steps can be taken to ensure you are not included in any photography.

Catering & refreshments

Food and drink can be purchased from the main challenge venues. There is also many restaurants and eateries around Gunwharf Quays, as well as throughout Portsmouth and Southsea.

Bottled water will be available at all challenge sites. There are [water refill stations](#) at Gunwharf Quays.

Opening and closing ceremonies

We have secured meal options with the onsite catering team at Historic Dockyard on Thursday and Saturday evening. The cost is £10.95 per meal, payment will be taken on collection. You will need to pre-order by 19 September.

[Opening ceremony pre-order](#)

[Closing ceremony pre-order](#)

Menu will include

All served street-food style

- Hampshire pulled pork brioche, celeriac and apple slaw
- Miniature fish bites, chips and tartare sauce
- Stone baked pizza - choice of pesto and mozzarella or pesto, mozzarella and pepperoni
- Flatbread, falafel, houmous, pink pickled onions, minted coconut yoghurt

Timetable

Thursday 26 September 2024		
Date	Event	Venue
1230 – 1630	UKRO Conference (ticket required)	Auditorium, Action Stations
1200 – 2000	Registration	Boathouse 7
1200 – 1600	Water Rescue boat familiarisation	Boathouse 4 / Hamble River
1700 – 1800	UKRO volunteers' meet & greet	Boathouse 7
1800 – 1830	Captains' Briefings	Extrication, Trauma & Water - Boathouse 7 Rope - Storehouse No9
1800 – 1900	Bar open and pre-booked food	Boathouse 7
1900 – 2000	Opening ceremony	Boathouse 5
2000 - 2300	Bar open and pre-booked food	Boathouse 7

Friday 27 September 2024		
Date	Event	Venue
0800 – 1700	Challenge Day 1 – Extrication Registration: Holiday Inn Foyer	Gunwharf Quays
0800 – 1700	Challenge Day 1 – Rope	1: Field Gun 2: HMS Victory - The Keel hauling 3: Action Stations 4: HMS Warrior – Backstay 5: Warrior – Engine Room 6: Boat House No.4 - Tidal Canal 7: Spinnaker - Escape Hatch
0800 – 1700	Challenge Day 1 - Water	Itchen River, Eastleigh
0800 – 1700	Challenge Day 1 – Trauma Registration: BH5 Foyer	Boathouse 5
0800 – 1700	HGV Guided Workshop - Lifting plans (suspension management)	HMS Victory
0900 – 1700	Extrication Workshops - Alternative Fuels + Rescue Techniques	Gunwharf Quays
0900 – 1700	Dog Demonstration	HMS Victory
1900 – 2300	Challenge Dinner (by invitation)	HMS Warrior



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Saturday 28 September 2024		
Date	Event	Venue
0800 – 1700	Challenge Day 2 – Extrication Registration: Holiday Inn Foyer	Gunwharf Quays
0800 – 1700	Challenge Day 2 – Rope	1: Field Gun 2: HMS Victory - The Keel hauling 3: Action Stations 4: HMS Warrior – Backstay 5: Warrior – Engine Room 6: Boat House No.4 - Tidal Canal 7: Spinnaker - Escape Hatch
0800 – 1700	Challenge Day 2 - Water	HMS Warrior
0800 – 1700	Challenge Day 2 – Trauma Registration: BH5 Foyer	Boathouse 5
0800 – 1700	Fire Cadets’ Casualty Care Challenge	Action Stations
0800 – 1700	HGV Guided Workshop - Lifting plans (suspension management)	HMS Victory
0900 – 1700	Extrication Workshops - Alternative Fuels + Rescue Techniques	Gunwharf Quays
0900 – 1700	Dog Demonstration	HMS Victory
1800 - 1930	Bar and pre-booked food	Boathouse 7
1930 – 2130	Closing Ceremony	Boathouse 5
2130 – 2300	Bar and pre-booked food	Boathouse 7