

4x4 Adventure Tours

Salisbury Plain Risk Assessment

Specific Risks associated with Salisbury Plain Military Training Area

Military Risks

Salisbury Plain is a very active military training area. It is not uncommon to meet Military Vehicles and personnel.

1. Never enter an area where red flags are flying
2. Follow any instructions given by military personnel
3. Read and obey all warning signs
4. Do not touch or pick up unidentified objects. There is the potential for unexploded military devices to be present. Children should be specifically warned and supervised. Used smoke grenades and blanks are not an uncommon sight.
5. Be aware and watchful for military vehicles at all times. You may meet anything from a Land Rover to a Full Battle Tank. Take special care at junctions and never assume you have right of way
6. Be aware of the movement of troops on foot and potentially emerging from cover while training

Other users

Many other users can be found on the plain. Everything from dog walkers to horse riders, Mountain bikes, Kite flyers, Buggy drivers. Expect to meet others and all ways assume you do not have the you have the right of way. Be patience and polite.

Major roads

There are a number of busy major roads in the area that may have to be crossed. Fast traffic may be present. Other drivers may not expect to see you emerging from a small lane. Exit onto such roads with great care. One such road is the A303 dual carriage way. Cross with extreme caution.

Deep Water

There are a number of places where deep water exists. This is generally still water rather the with a flow. While unlikely to cause a problem for adults this water does pose a risk for children, who should be supervised at all times. Also deep water can present a risk to vehicles. Do not drive into deep water unless you are confident that your vehicle is properly prepared for such activities.