



Swan Trust - Minimum Ages for Volunteers and Bookings

(1) Volunteers

(a) Shore Maintenance

- Minimum age with no parent or guardian present = 16 years old
- For 16 to 17 year olds:
 - o There must be at least one adult (18 years old or over) present.
 - o Parental/Carer consent must be received.
- For under 16 year olds:
 - o The parent or guardian must be present.

(b) Crewing

- Minimum age = 18 years old

(c) Fundraising / Promotion & Events

- Minimum age = 13 years old (minimum age someone can get a job). Will need to ensure hours volunteering do not exceed those if the person was working a paid job.

(2) Bookings

(a) School Trips

- School will organise chaperones in line with their requirements.
- The Skipper will have discretion on the minimum ages of school children permitted on the boat and organise the activities on the boat according to the age groups.

(b) Sail Training

- Minimum age = 15 years and maximum age = 25 years (in-line with Sail Training International requirements).
- For under 18 year olds:
 - o There must be at least one chaperone present. For Sail Training Shetland, this will be provided by the Swan and for other Sail Training organisations, this will be provided by them.

(c) Charter

This will be at the discretion of the Skipper as to the minimum age of persons onboard for the charter booked.

(d) Day Trip, Overnight within Shetland, and Overnight outside of Shetland

- Minimum age unaccompanied = 18 years old
- For under 18 year olds:
 - o Each party must be accompanied by a parent, guardian or appointed chaperone - This cannot be the Skipper or Mate. One adult may chaperone up to 10 minors within their own booking.
 - o Parental/Guardian consent must be received.