

### Environmental Policy

On Track Expeditions acknowledges that it operates in remote and fragile environments. Our companies' mission is to follow a clear and strict policy as to minimise the impact we may have and to educate the clients who join us on our expeditions as to how important our policy is to reduce environmental impact.

*1. Reduction in transport* – where possible, On Track Expeditions will minimise the transport needed to commute the client group to and from locations. We will encourage all clients to use the mode of transport we supply for of guides, thus minimising the need for more than required motor vehicle, helicopter or airplanes.

*2. Group numbers* – when planning expedition, On Track Expeditions will consider the environment the group is heading into, the time of year and the guidelines, if set, by the local environment office as to the numbers permitted at one time.

*3. Fires/Fuel* – if firewood is needed for fuel when cooking, On Track Expedition will always purchase already gathered firewood from locals/villages/campsites – never source its own wood. In Australian National Parks, On Track Expedition will enforce a *No Fire Needed* rule. All Australian expeditions will carry their own fuel stove and will not have a fire for recreation reasons.

*4. Carry in Carry out* – where possible, On Track Expeditions will carry out all rubbish it accumulates during all expeditions. This is also the responsibility of the client group to which they will be brief prior to an expedition about our policy.

*5. Human waste* – depending on the expedition, On track Expeditions will follow to one of the following policy points: (i) When facilities are available – when a long drop/compositing toilet is available, these toilets will be used at all times, (ii) When no facilities are available – a 30cm hole must be dug at a minimum of 100m from any water source, this whole will be used for human waste and must then be covered, (iii) When in high altitude/snow environments - a full carry out method will be enforced, this will be done with the use of a Poo Tube or Barrel. The waste will then be disposed of in the best method possible depending on the expedition's location.

*6. Staying on track* – depending on the expedition, On track Expeditions will follow the designated track at all times. All clients will be briefed on the environmental importance of staying on track prior to the start of the expeditions. On summiting expeditions in which no track/path is evident, the group will always follow each other and will follow the planned/guided route at all times.





7. Indigenous Lands & Cultural sensitive sites – with respect and understanding, On Track Expedition walks on all lands with respect to the local Indigenous peoples both past and present. In events to which lands or cultural sensitive sites are asked not to be accessed, we will alter the expeditions itinerary out of respect to the request. On Track Expeditions imbeds and discusses the importance of different lands with clients when on expeditions, this is reflective of our passion to work with and understand the lands we are in.

### **Environmental Policy Complaints and Enquiries**

If you have any queries or complaints about our Environmental Policy, please contact us at:

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