



Keeping everyone safe at Kiwi  
Avoidance Training events – Module 2

# Module 2: Learning outcomes

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- Understand our responsibilities for Health and Safety during KAT events
- Identify and manage the risks at KAT events
  - Hazard register
  - Health and safety considerations with planning and carrying out KAT events
- Preparing an Emergency Plan
- KAT toolbox talk
- Site Induction
- Reporting a Notifiable Event



DOGS

+



PEOPLE

+



OUTDOORS

=



POTENTIAL FOR THINGS TO GO WRONG



Start thinking  
and planning  
'safety' right  
from the start



# Safety at KAT events

- Planning the event
  - Is it a suitable location?
  - What is the access like (i.e. off a busy road, along a stock bank with public, down a muddy track?)
  - Do you have agency/landowner permission?
  - Are there any, or going to be any hazards you haven't thought of (i.e. wandering stock, grumpy protestors, another event nearby?)
  - Does someone on the team have current First Aid training?
- Contacting dog owners beforehand
  - Dog owners briefed on what the training involves?
  - Dog owners aware of any hazards they may encounter getting to the event (i.e. do they need 4WD, is it a difficult turn to access site)?
  - Dog owners asked to leave their dog in the vehicle until it is their turn?



## Appendix 3 Example of a pre-briefing email for dog owners

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Dear .....

Thank you for arranging to have your dog/s kiwi avoidance trained. This letter is to confirm that you have 3 dogs booked for training on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021 at 10:15am, 10:30 and 10:45am.

The training is at Heleworths Deer Stalkers, 710 Arapani Road (see map attached). The event is signposted off the highway. Take care when turning on and off this road as vehicles are traveling at 100Km.

Please arrive 10 minutes before your scheduled time to allow your dog/s to have a quick run and toilet. On arrival please leave your dog/s in the vehicle while you register. We also ask that you leave behind any dog that is on heat.

Please bring the dog/s identification details (e.g. microchip information) with you and have a lead handy. You may be interested to read some more information (attached) on what the training involves and watch a short video on the benefits of KAT to kiwi and other ground dwelling wildlife [\[click on this link\]](#).

If you have any further questions please give me a call or email. We look forward to seeing you there.

Regards,

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  - Dog owners aware of any hazards they may encounter getting to the event (i.e. do they need 4WD, is it a difficult turn to access site)?
  - Dog owners know to leave their dog in the vehicle until it is their turn?
- Getting to the event
  - Have you got a long drive/ do you need someone to share the driving?
  - Are you well prepared, all equipment on board, checklist?

KIWI AVOIDANCE  
TRAINING  
HERE

# Safety at KAT events

- Setting up the event and course
  - Have you left yourself enough time to prepare?
  - Have you identified hazards associated with course?
  - Have you completed a Toolbox safety briefing with people supporting the training (Admin, meet and greet helpers)?
- Dog owner/visitor arrival
  - Is it obvious where dog owners need to register?
  - Have dog owners read and/or had explained and understand the hazards of site and training?
- Walking the course
  - Has it been raining and extra slippery?
  - Are hazards well marked (e.g. any holes, electric fences, overhanging branches)?
  - Is it hot/cold/wet?
- Finishing up and heading home
  - Team debrief, any incidents or new risks identified/ management
  - Are you tired?
  - Have you arranged for someone else to drive you home?

# Safety at KAT events

- What to do in an emergency?
  - Stay calm, work through Emergency Response plan.
  - ASAP, notify KAT coordinator/ DOC supervisor (depending on emergency)
- Trainer/admin toolbox talk
- Site induction for dog owners and visitors
- Notifiable events
  - What is a notifiable event (e.g. death, serious injury or incident)
  - Complete a near miss/incident form
  - Have forms at event and complete ASAP
  - Send form to KAT coordinator who will log incident in the KAT Incident Register and follow up