

## **Mobile Device Policy**

At Delphi Resort the safety and wellbeing of our clients is paramount. With this in mind, we have established a mobile device policy for students visiting the centre for both security and child protection reasons. All mobile devices including phones, tablets, games consoles, e-readers and other electronic devices are covered by this mobile device policy.

By setting explicit and acceptable mobile user standards, this mobile device policy seeks to both facilitate users' enjoyment of their stay at Delphi Resort and give them the ability to use their devices in a safe and appropriate manner.

Mobile or smart phones are known to pose the greatest risk when it comes to their photographic and video features. These are most prone to abuse, mostly through exploitation, bullying and the collection and dissemination of offensive photographs and videos.

We acknowledge that most children live with smartphones daily and that these devices can be a big part of making students feel comfortable, protected, and connected. However, we also acknowledge that mobile phones' camera features can be abused, particularly when children are in changing rooms or the residential setting of the Wild Atlantic Hostel.

When children are visiting Delphi Resort on a day trip with schools, youth clubs, sports teams or summer camp, mobile devices are not permitted throughout the day trip.

Before groups arrive at Delphi Resort, teachers, group leaders and parents are responsible for removing mobile devices from the possession of participating children. We will offer secure mobile device storage in the Wild Atlantic Hostel until a group's departure. Teachers and group leaders will be provided with access to this

storage as is required. We advise teachers, group leaders and parents to discourage children from bringing mobile devices on day trips. We will do everything in our power to keep these devices in safe storage however Delphi Resort does not accept liability for any unintentional loss or damage to a mobile device brought to the resort.

For residential stays mobile devices are permitted. However, they are only allowed to be used by children during down time at 1pm-2pm and 530pm-7pm. Teachers, when on site, will be responsible for distributing and gathering the devices. Devices will not be permitted to be kept overnight in the Wild Atlantic Hostel or whilst camping during summer camps. The only exception to this will be for medical or essential reasons which must be arranged in advance.

It is important to note WIFI is not available for any youth groups and service coverage in the Delphi valley is very minimal.

Parents should ring the hotel where they need to contact their child or in emergency circumstances.

Delphi Resort reserves the right to change this policy at any time without prior notice.