

MAKE·A·WISH®

United Kingdom

# Skydive Information Pack



See the world from a different angle!

## Welcome from Make-A-Wish Foundation® UK!

Thank you for requesting our skydive information pack. To make everything as easy as possible for you to take part we have enclosed everything you need, including your registration and sponsorship forms.

### About Make-A-Wish

Make-A-Wish Foundation® UK has a very simple objective – to grant magical wishes to children and young people fighting life-threatening conditions. Since the charity was founded in the UK in 1986 we have granted more than 8,000 wishes.

There are more than 20,000 children in the UK living with life-threatening conditions. We believe that every one of them deserves to experience the magic of a Make-A-Wish wish – and they *are* truly magical.

Whether a wish is to be a princess or a train driver for the day, own the latest TV or computer equipment, meet a favourite celebrity or just enjoy some special time away from home with their family, a wish can help in so many ways. A family break can provide much-needed respite, equipment can help the child be more independent and meeting someone they admire can be incredibly inspiring.

A wish come true brings so much to a child's life and provides memories that last a lifetime for the whole family.

This year we're hoping to grant over 1,000 wishes and we will need to raise £7 million to provide our service this year, and so we greatly appreciate your support!

### About your Skydive

There are three different types of skydive for you to choose from. We ask you to raise a minimum amount of sponsorship money (from £360 depending on the type of jump you choose) of which we will receive an average donation of £200. In addition to this, every extra pound that you raise over the minimum comes straight to us, so please try to raise as much as you possibly can.

Professional events organisers Skyline receive a flat rate per jumper for organising the jumps for us; this is covered by your £70 non-refundable deposit. Skyline specialise in organising fundraising events for charities and have provided the information in this pack. If you have any questions regarding the skydive logistics please ring them on 020 7424 5522 as they are in the best position to answer your questions. If you have any fundraising questions please don't hesitate to contact us.

Good luck!



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## Experience the exhilaration of a tandem skydive!



### Imagine...

standing at the edge of an open doorway in an aircraft flying at 10,000 feet - the noise of the engines and the wind ringing in your ears with only the outline of distant fields below. Now imagine leaning forward out of that doorway and letting go - falling forward into the clouds, diving down through the air as you start freefalling at over 120mph!

Technically the jump is called a 'tandem skydive'. It is a skydive because you will be freefalling through the air (without the parachute deployed) for several thousand feet; it is in tandem because you will be harnessed to a professional parachute instructor at all times (see above photo). This is the only way you can jump from such an altitude without spending thousands of pounds becoming a freefall parachutist. This is literally the chance of a lifetime!

### The facts:

- The jump and training is completed in one day
- You're harnessed to an experienced parachute instructor at all times
- Jump from at least 10,000 feet - just like the professionals
- Freefall down to 5,000 feet - fall through the air at 120 mph
- Ride the parachute down to the ground - they teach you how to steer onto the drop zone
- Landing controlled by your instructor
- Certificate to prove that you have completed a 'two-mile high' Tandem Skydive!

### How do I sign up?

1. Choose a date for your jump and complete the registration, either with the form enclosed or book online at [www.skyline.co.uk/2278](http://www.skyline.co.uk/2278)
2. Raise £395\* (or more!) for Make-A-Wish
3. Look forward to your tandem skydive from 10,000 feet!

\* For airfields in Scotland and Northern Ireland the minimum sponsorship level for a tandem skydive is £450

## Other jumps available...

### Static line

This jump is called a static line jump because from the moment you step into the aircraft you will be securely attached to a 'static line' which is designed to automatically open your parachute for you as you exit the aircraft. Unlike a tandem skydive you get to jump solo from up to 3,000 feet having had a full day's training from fully qualified instructors. This is an ideal way to find out if you want to progress in the sport of parachuting and of course raise valuable funds for Make-A-Wish at the same time.

### Accelerated freefall (AFF level 1)

Learning to skydive solo is a big challenge and you will start with a full day's training, including practical and classroom sessions, covering all areas of making a solo skydive from 10,000 feet! On the second day, once your instructors are satisfied that you are ready, you will climb aboard the aircraft to be taken to your jump altitude. Whilst you will skydive solo (i.e. with nobody attached to you) your two instructors will jump with you and be by your side until approximately 5,000 feet when you pull your parachute canopy.

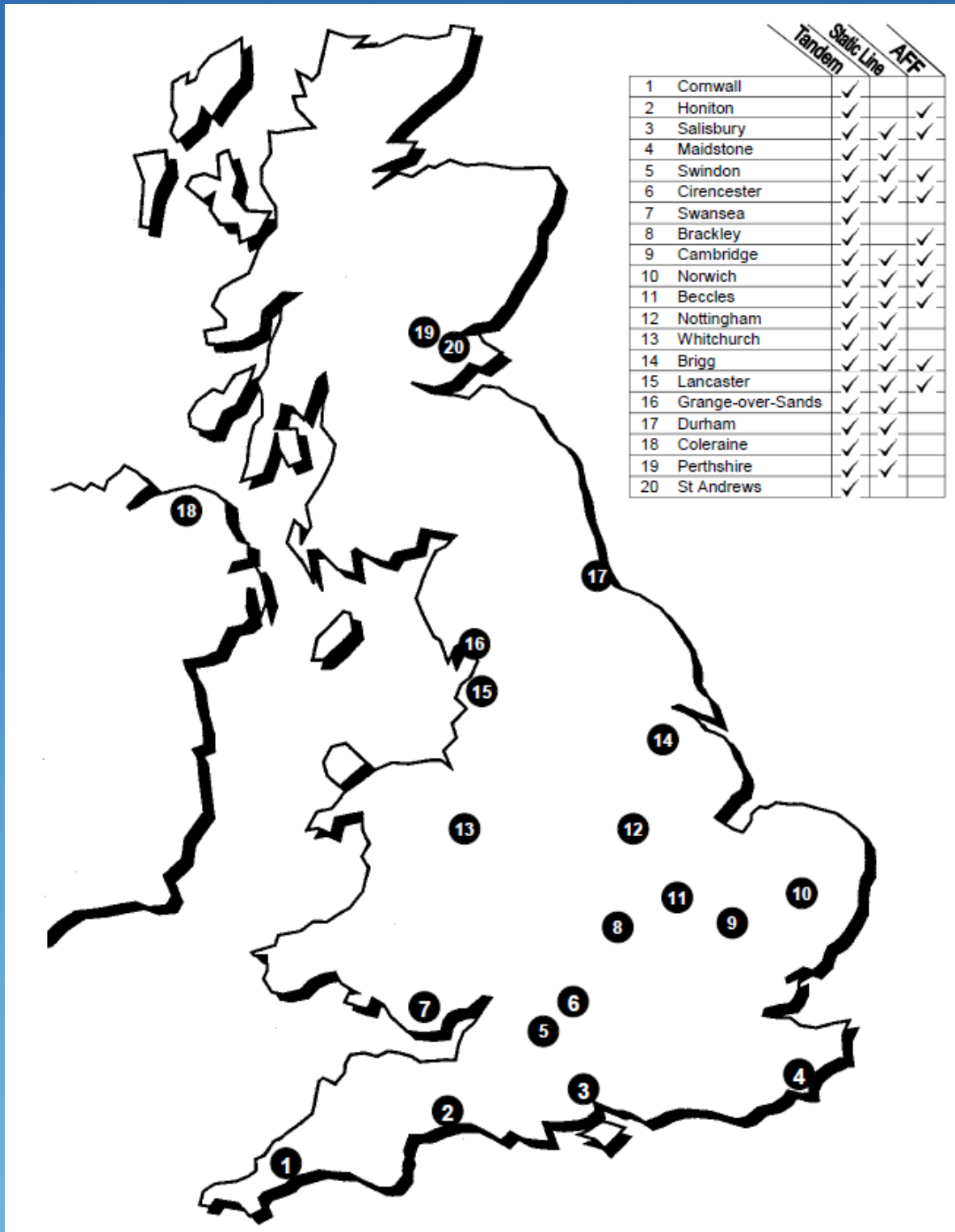
### Which jump should I choose?

The following table summarises the three types of jump you can choose from and indicates the principal differences between them. For more information please visit [www.skylineparachuting.co.uk](http://www.skylineparachuting.co.uk)

	Tandem Skydive	Static Line	Accelerated Freefall
<b>Minimum Sponsorship Level</b>	£395	£360	£535
<b>Jump Altitude</b>	10,000 ft.	3,000 ft.	10,000 ft.
<b>Duration</b>	1 day	2 days	2 days
<b>Jump Solo or with Instructor</b>	With Instructor	Solo	Solo
<b>BPA approved certificate</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Comments</b>	Ideal if you want to experience 120mph freefall without having to do a day's training	For those who want to jump solo and take the first step towards jumping regularly	First level of a professional skydivers course!

## Where you can jump

You can jump all year round, subject to availability. Please give your 1st and 2nd choice of date on the registration form and if there is a problem Skyline will contact you to arrange the best alternative date. There are over twenty British Parachute Association approved centres across the UK (please refer to the map); please give your preferred location on the registration form and Skyline will do their best to meet your request.





## Important information

### Age and health restrictions

	Tandem Skydive	Static Line	Accelerated Freefall
Age	16 and over	16 to 50 inclusive	16 to 50 inclusive
Weight	Under 15 stone	Under 15 stone	Under 15 stone

Please note for all jumps your weight should be roughly in proportion to your height and some centres have lower weight limits - please contact Skyline for details. The principal medical restrictions for all jumps are diabetes, epilepsy, fits, recurrent blackouts, heart or lung disease, mental illness and some cases of asthma. You will be required to sign a medical form before your jump declaring your fitness to take part - this will be sent to you upon receipt of your reservation form but is also available on request. Those under the age of 18 will need the medical form signed by a parent or guardian; those aged 40 and over, or those with a medical condition, will need it signed by their doctor.

Pre-existing physical conditions will not necessarily prevent you from taking part but please do inform Skyline of any physical conditions as this may affect the location of your jump; if you are in any doubt then please contact Skyline for further information

### Insurance

You will automatically be covered for up to £2,000,000 third party insurance but this will not cover you for personal injury. Should you wish to take out cover for personal injury you should either arrange this through your own broker or you can contact Skyline and they will send you a Personal Insurance Form.

### How do I book my place?

Complete the registration, either by booking online at [www.skyline.co.uk/2278](http://www.skyline.co.uk/2278) or with the enclosed form and provide your £70 non-refundable booking deposit made payable to 'Skyline'.

## Harry's wish to become a train driver

After being diagnosed with Acute Myeloid Leukaemia in October 2012, 11 year old Harry Kemp He had the first of four cycles of chemotherapy just two days later, which left him with no hair and a very low immune system. He turned to the things he loved most to distract him from his treatment – trains, cars and all things fast!

*Harry's Mum, Emma, said: "One of the toughest parts of Harry's illness was the disruption to family life because either myself or my husband Paul would stay with Harry in hospital and the other would be at home with his older sister, Jessica."*

Harry's wish started at London Euston, where he had the exclusive opportunity to ride in the cab alongside driver Craig Brooks all the way to Crewe. Harry learnt what all the different buttons did, got to see just how fast trains can go and even got to sound the horn which, in his words, was "epic"! Once Harry and his family had arrived, they were whisked to the Virgin Trains Talent Academy where they were able to experience a train simulator, before heading back to London in First Class.



## Paying your sponsorship money

The following sponsorship system makes it easy for you to take part and ensures that you do not have to pay all the money in one go. At all airfields you must pay your jump cost and sponsorship money on the day. Your sponsorship can be in the form of a cheque post-dated by up to four weeks – which allows you plenty of time to collect the money after the event. (Post-dated cheques must be supported by a valid debit card.)

The amount you are required to pay to the airfield on the day and sponsorship money due to Make-A-Wish will be confirmed by Skyline upon receipt of your reservation form and booking deposit.

	<b>Tandem Skydive</b>	<b>Static Line</b>	<b>Accelerated Freefall</b>
<b>Booking deposit (non-refundable)</b> Required in advance with registration form	£70	£70	£70
<b>Payment for the jump</b> Required on the day	£195 approx.	£160 approx.	£320 approx.
<b>Sponsorship Money</b> Required on the day but can be a post-dated cheque by up to 4 weeks	£200 approx.	£200 approx.	£215 approx.

Remember, as long as you raise the minimum sponsorship level for your jump (£395\* for a tandem, £360 for a static line and £535 for AFF) you can recover both the cost of the booking deposit and the jump from your sponsorship money - which means you get to jump for FREE!

*\* For airfields in Scotland and Northern Ireland the minimum sponsorship level for a tandem skydive is £450*

- If you are planning to raise all your sponsorship online it is very important that you inform us at least a week before you jump so we can let the airfield know.

Please note that the payment to the airfield is for your training and is totally non-refundable even if you do not jump for any reason.

Remember, all jumps require you to send in your reservation form and booking deposit before Skyline can start organising your jump for you - please do this as soon as possible so that they can give you the date of your choice and so that you can start preparing yourself for your challenge.

**Thank you for supporting Make-A-Wish!**

## Fundraising

Once you have registered to take part in a skydive, the next step is to raise sponsorship money and reach your target. There are lots of ways to do this, from fundraising online and creating your own text donate number, to organising your own fundraising events.

Don't forget – we are here to help the whole way with your fundraising and can provide you with T-shirts, posters, newsletters, leaflets, home money boxes, collection tins, banners, balloons and DVDs!

### Online fundraising

- You can set up an online fundraising page and text donate number at [www.justgiving.com/makeawish](http://www.justgiving.com/makeawish)
- The first person to sponsor you will set a trend for the rest, so send the page link to your most generous supporters first!
- Promote your fundraising through your social media, keep your friends and family updated on your progress with lots of photos and give them plenty of opportunities to sponsor you.
- Email all your contacts telling them what you are doing and why, with a prominent link to your sponsorship page.
- Change your email signature at home or at work and explain what you are doing – don't forget a link to your page!

### Fundraising ideas

- Home money box – empty your spare change every week into our specially designed money box and you'll soon be surprised how quickly the box fills up
- Collection tins – would your work place or even a local shop or business hold a collection tin to help you raise money and raise the awareness of Make-A-Wish?
- Dress down days
- Raffle – ask local businesses if they can support you with prizes and sell tickets
- Cake sale – ask your family, friends and colleagues to make cakes for you to sell as a yummy way to raise money
- Sponsored events – from leg waxing to silence, skipping, and spelling – and anything in between!
- Run a sweep stake during sports events such as the Grand National or Euro Championships
- Pub quiz
- Film night – host a film night instead of going to the cinema and ask friends to pay a donation for entry and popcorn
- Coffee mornings
- Car boot sale
- Bag packing - ask your local supermarket if you can pack bags for donations with friends and family
- Sporting events – hold an event such as a 5-a-side tournament or charity golf day
- Karaoke night – get your friends and family to show off their musical skills
- Balloon pop – fill balloons with prizes and sell them to be popped
- Welly throwing contest

**Be creative – but don't forget to thank your donors!**