



Keep Scotland
Beautiful

Your charity inspiring action for Scotland's environment

Duke of Edinburgh Volunteering with

Upstream[®] Battle

Find out what you can do to stop
litters journey from #Source2Sea
for your Volunteering hours

In partnership with:



Tackle marine litter as part of your Duke of Edinburgh Volunteering.

Want to take environmental action? Marine litter pollution is one of the biggest challenges facing the environment, and with **80% of this litter comes from land**, take practical action and make a difference by committing to the **Upstream Battle** campaign.

We are asking you to help support this national campaign via litter picks and conducting litter surveys which will contribute to Scotland's first comprehensive river litter data-set.

What can you do?

You can volunteer by yourself or you can join a local litter picking group to volunteer. [Visit our website](#) to find out about how you can take part. You can log your data through a [survey](#) before uploading it to the [members site](#), or input your litter data directly online.

Volunteer by yourself in three easy steps:

1

Identify an area & [sign up](#).

2

Record the litter & cleanup.

3

Share what you find with us.

Or join a local litter-picking group

Local groups on this page- www.keepsotlandbeautiful.org/upstream-battle/inspiring-action/anchor-groups-tay/

We want to support you!



Contact us to discuss how we can support you.

We can help organise equipment, advertise your event, and supply posters & awareness raising materials.

80%

Marine litter comes from land.

12.7m

tonnes of plastic enters the marine environment every year.

88%

of people living in Scotland believe the amount of litter in rivers is a problem.





Why record litter data?

It's your opportunity to contribute to Scottish policy! The litter you will help count on a waterway near you will contribute to actions in the Scottish Government's Marine Litter Strategy.

This data-set can help us to understand exactly what we need to do to target and support those responsible for littering to clean up their act, inform decision making and, ultimately reduce litter locally.



How to record litter data

If you choose to volunteer alone, you will count your hours and collect evidence in form of photos or a diary / logbook to receive credit towards your DofE section.

You can log your data through a [survey](#) before uploading it to the [members site](#), or input your litter data directly online.

Get involved

- **[Sign up](#)** with Keep Scotland Beautiful to log litter data and read the [survey guide](#) to start surveying your local river or canal.
- Make sure to put this activity in your Volunteer section planner and get it approved by your Leader or Assessor. If you don't have an assessor, please [contact us](#).
- Start volunteering!
- Take pictures or write a diary/logbook to record your journey as evidence of all your hard work.
- Upload any pictures or evidence onto your eDofE account.
- Once you have completed the required weeks, please let your Assessor know so that a report can be written. Your Group Leader will then approve your section. (An Assessor can be anyone who can give a report on your activity. You can contact us for an assessor. It can also be your parents or a teacher who can see the work you've done.)

Remember, you will first need to create and account with Keep Scotland Beautiful before starting your volunteering!



We support the ambitions of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

Keep Scotland Beautiful is your charity for Scotland's environment. We work with you to help combat climate change, tackle litter and waste, restore nature and biodiversity and improve places.



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