

Historic Cape Leeuwin Lighthouse is situated at the most south westerly tip of Australia, standing at the point where the Indian and Southern Oceans meet - 8 kilometres south of Augusta. With a stunning blue backdrop of the ocean meeting the sky the lighthouse appears to glow in white splendour during summer, whilst during winter the awesome force of the fierce Southern Ocean and powerful Indian Ocean crashing against the Cape makes your visit a unique, awesome and contrasting experience year round.

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PURPOSE OF THE EXCURSION

Cape Leeuwin Lighthouse (CLLH) is the tallest lighthouse on the mainland coastline. Standing for over 100 years this fully operational lighthouse offers students the opportunity to see history in action. With our supportive and knowledgeable guides, students will learn of our rich maritime history, hear stories of shipwrecks, early settlers and if it's the right time of year hopefully spy a few whales from your viewpoint, 48 metres above the sea level.

For the ultimate lighthouse experience, students can book on for our Culture and Heritage Program and learn of the indigenous relationship with the local area and of the lifestyles of the lighthouse keepers at this rough and isolated outpost.

Combining a tour with the education packages available on our website, students can expand their exploration into the classroom.

1. ASSESSING THE RISKS

1.1 Environment

- CLLH is located 8 kilometres from the popular tourist town of Augusta in the Margaret River Region.
- CLLH has 176 steps leading to the top. It requires a moderate level of fitness to climb. Wheelchair access is available to the base of the lighthouse and the surrounding walking trails.
- Tours involve a guided interpretive walk through the LH and around the top. Except for the top of the LH and outdoor pathways all areas are enclosed environments.
- Tours are tailored to suit student ability at all times, our school group guides are first aid trained and have Working with Children Certificates.
- We have emergency protocols covering all aspects of our tours and products, these documents are available from our Education Officer.
- Accommodation is available at a range of sites located near the Lighthouse, varying from National Park campsites to commercial campgrounds and a number of private residences for more details contact Margaret River Visitor Centre on 9780 5911.

1.2 Transport Arrangements

- CLLH is located 3.5 hours from Perth and only 10 minutes from Augusta. Transport will have to be organised independently, however there are a number of charter

<p>businesses operating in the South West which can assist.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sealed access for cars and buses is by Leeuwin Road. There is a parking area for buses and charter vehicles near lighthouse grounds.
<p>1.3 Student Capacity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We cater for students from primary school to high school and beyond. Whilst we do tailor activities to include all students and to allow for different abilities, it is the responsibility of teachers to assess the level of ability for participating students. Groups sizes vary depending on activity, contact us for more details on how we can accommodate your class.
<p>1.4 Supervisor/Supervisory Team</p> <p>It is the responsibility of the school to develop a supervisory team that meets their specific requirements in line with the recommendations for supervision outlined in this document. Supervising teachers/adults are required to actively supervise their students at all times. Some simple ways teaching staff or supervisors can assist us are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting our ratios where applicable Providing the link between our team and the students (as the teachers from the school will have much better knowledge regarding their students' personalities) Discipline and pastoral care
<p>1.5 External Providers</p> <p>Our staff have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior First Aid Certificate Working With Children Checks <p>Upon request a copy of Working With Children Checks can be provided.</p> <p>CNLH operating under the Margaret River Busselton Tourism has a 20 million dollar public liability insurance policy. Upon request, a copy of our 'Certificate of Currency' can be forwarded to you.</p>
<p>2. SUPERVISION STRATEGIES</p>
<p>We prefer a ratio of: 1 teacher = 10 students</p> <p>Speak to our guides to confirm numbers of students and teachers during booking process.</p> <p>All participants stay with guides at all times during guided activities.</p>
<p>3. IDENTIFICATION OF EXCURSION PARTICIPANTS</p>
<p>Entry to lighthouse is limited to 10 per tour in a limited area so there is no need for student identification. Students never leave tour guide or school supervisor.</p>
<p>4. INFORMATION TO PARENTS FOR THEIR CONSENT</p>
<p>This is the responsibility of the schools.</p>

5. COMMUNICATION STRATEGIES
<p>Students will be with guides at all times throughout tours. In the event of an emergency, we have radio contact and relay across lighthouse grounds and are never more than five minutes from assistance. We are able to contact the office, which has a dedicated emergency phone if further help is required from emergency services.</p>
6. EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLANNING
<p>In the case of an emergency, please follow the directions of CLLH staff who are responsible for implementing the emergency response plan, including evacuation procedures.</p> <p>If you would like details of CLLH emergency plans please contact us at education@margaretriver.com</p> <p>Please note that our protocol covers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency contact numbers for our Company • Local Doctors/ nursing stations contact details • Hospital contact details • Fire, police and DEC emergency contact details
7. BRIEFING STUDENTS AND SUPERVISORS
<p>Due to the low risk level of this activity, students and supervisors are briefed of all hazards as they are presented on tour.</p>
8. OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION
<p>CLLH is one of the regions most visited attractions.</p> <p>More details are available at www.margaretriver.com</p> <p>For all school enquiries please contact our Education Officer on 9755 2152</p>
This information is valid till 31 December 2017