

# Edithvale-Seafood Wetland Education Centre (ESWEC)

## Venue and Safety Information

Please complete the following important actions in preparation for your visit:

- Read and pass on the below information to all attending visitors.
- Ensure all visitors wear flat enclosed shoes and long pants for wetland walks.
- Return a signed copy of the attached form upon arrival for your tour.

<b>Site clothing and safety</b>	<p>All visitors to the Edithvale-Seafood Wetland Education Centre must wear the following essential clothing for walks to the bird viewing platform:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Long pants / trousers.</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> Flat, enclosed footwear. Sandals or thongs are not appropriate and shoes with heels are not recommended.</li></ul> <p><b>ESWEC is closed on days with a Severe, Extreme and Code Red Fire Danger Rating as well as weather exceeding 35° C</b></p> <p>Visitors should also bring:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><input type="checkbox"/> Clothing appropriate to protect against weather including sunscreen, hat and raincoat or rain jacket (as required).</li><li><input type="checkbox"/> First Aid Kit.</li></ul>
<b>Accessibility</b>	<p>The Edithvale-Seafood Wetland Education Centre is suitable for those with a walking disability (i.e. requiring a wheelchair, walking frame or similar aid).</p>
<b>Emergencies</b>	<p>In an emergency, visitors should adhere to the instructions given by designated fire wardens (identified by yellow hard hats and high visibility vests).</p>
<b>Public liability cover</b>	<p>Melbourne Water has the appropriate public liability cover.</p>
<b>Child Related Employment</b>	<p>Melbourne Water Education Officers have a current WWC or VIT card.</p>
<b>Contact details</b>	<p><b>Organisation:</b> Melbourne Water</p> <p><b>Mailing address:</b> PO Box 4342, Melbourne, VIC 3001</p> <p><b>Phone numbers:</b> Education team: 8734 4264 or 13 17 22 and ask to be connected to the Tours Program</p> <p><b>Web address :</b> <a href="https://www.melbournewater.com.au/community-and-education/visit-water-and-sewerage-plants-or-sites/edithvale-seafood-centre">https://www.melbournewater.com.au/community-and-education/visit-water-and-sewerage-plants-or-sites/edithvale-seafood-centre</a></p>
<b>ESWEC Address</b>	<p><b>Street address:</b> 278 Edithvale Road Chelsea Heights, VIC</p> <p><a href="#">View map of the Centre on Google</a></p>

## ESWEC - Venue and Safety Information (adult groups)

Activity	Potential Risks & Hazards	Responsibility	Control Strategies
General	Bushfires	Melbourne Water Staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• People will not be put in high risk environments during "Extreme" and "Code Red" weather days.</li> <li>• Visits will be cancelled in the event of a total fire ban day or extreme weather forecast.</li> <li>• Emergency evacuation plans will be implemented.</li> </ul>
Arrival and Departure	Injuries caused by road accidents	All visitors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Licensed and competent bus driver.</li> <li>• Buses must park in the bus parking area.</li> </ul>
	Injuries caused by tripping, bites and falls	All visitors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use designated walking paths at a walking pace only.</li> <li>• Visitors requested to wear flat, enclosed shoes.</li> </ul>
Education Centre tour and activities	Site evacuation	Melbourne Water staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safety briefing by Melbourne Water staff to inform visitors of site emergency plan.</li> <li>• Visitor limits of 35 people apply.</li> </ul>
Viewing Platform Walking Tour	Injuries caused by road accidents	Melbourne water staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brief visitors about walking route and safety procedure.</li> </ul>
		All visitors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All visitors must wear flat, enclosed shoes, and long pants.</li> <li>• Use designated walking paths at a walking pace only.</li> <li>• No running.</li> </ul>
	Injuries caused by climbing, tripping, bites and falls	Melbourne water staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safety briefing by Melbourne Water staff at the start of each activity.</li> <li>• Adherence to instructions from Melbourne Water staff.</li> </ul>
		All visitors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All visitors must wear flat, enclosed shoes, and long pants.</li> <li>• Use designated walking paths at a walking pace only.</li> <li>• No running, no climbing.</li> </ul>
	Exposure to sun, wind and rain	All visitors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Application of sunscreen and the wearing of hats and/or raincoats are recommended.</li> <li>• Walking tour may be cancelled during inclement weather.</li> </ul>
Morning or Afternoon Tea	Food Allergies	Melbourne Water staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide standard biscuits.</li> <li>• Brand and ingredient information can be provided if requested.</li> </ul>
	Burns	All visitors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hot water in an urn – minimises vapour and steam.</li> <li>• Fill cups only <math>\frac{3}{4}</math> full.</li> </ul>

**This form needs to be signed by all visitors prior to commencing sessions at the ESWEC.**

*I, the undersigned of \_\_\_\_\_ (organisation) on \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ acknowledge that I have read, understood and agree to the above conditions of entry. I will be held responsible for the actions and safety of the associated parties.*

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## ESWEC Weather Safety Guide

Weather event	Measure	Action
<b>Heat</b>	30° - 35° C	Drink plenty of fluids to keep hydrated. If the temperature exceeds your comfort level then the remainder of the Education Session will be cancelled.
	35° C+ <i>(Check BoM before visiting the ESWEC)</i>	Education Session will be cancelled.
<b>Fire danger</b>	Severe, Extreme and Code Red rating <i>(Check CFA site before visiting the ESWEC)</i>	Education Session will be cancelled.