

BMC INTERNATIONAL SUMMER MEET 2026

INSURANCE & LIABILITY STATEMENT

Participation in the BMC International Summer Meet 2026 involves mountaineering and climbing activities in a natural outdoor environment. These activities carry inherent risks, including the risk of injury or death.

Personal Insurance Requirement

All participants must hold valid personal travel insurance, including cover for rock climbing and mountaineering, for the full duration of their visit to the United Kingdom.

This insurance must, as a minimum, cover:

- Rock climbing and mountaineering activities
- Repatriation to the participant's home country

Emergency medical treatment and volunteer mountain rescue services are provided free of charge in the United Kingdom. However, this does not remove the requirement for participants to hold appropriate personal insurance, particularly to cover repatriation, ongoing treatment, or costs incurred outside the United Kingdom.

Participants are responsible for ensuring that their insurance policy is appropriate for the activities they intend to undertake and is valid in the United Kingdom.

BMC Insurance Position

The British Mountaineering Council (BMC) holds public and employers' liability insurance in relation to its activities as an event organiser.

The BMC's insurance:

- Does not provide personal accident cover for participants
- Does not cover repatriation costs
- Does not replace the requirement for participants to hold their own insurance

Responsibility and Risk

Participants take part in climbing and mountaineering activities at their own risk and are responsible for their own actions and decisions at all times.

Nothing in this statement limits or excludes liability where such limitation or exclusion would be unlawful under UK law.



BMC Participation Statement

Climbing, hill walking and mountaineering can provide life-long physical, social and mental health benefits through exercise and adventure in amazing environments. The BMC recognises these activities involve a risk of personal injury or death. Participants should be aware of and accept these risks and be responsible for their own actions and involvement.