

Providers – Learning Outside the Classroom Quality Badge

The **Learning Outside the Classroom (LOtC) Quality Badge** provides for the first time a national accreditation combining the essential elements of provision – learning and safety – into one easily recognisable and trusted Quality Badge for all types of Learning Outside the Classroom provider organisations.



KCC endorses the LOtC Quality Badge and recommends the use of Providers who have been awarded the LOtC Quality Badge.

We further request that schools, youth projects and all other educational establishments do not to seek information from LOtC Badged Providers that duplicates details provided by the Quality Badge Criteria.

LOtC Quality Badged Providers can be found on the e-Go Providers database for use by schools and youth projects on educational visits - *they have LOtC QB in brackets in the title, and can be searched using LOtC as a keyword in the providers search box.*

The Quality Badge will be awarded to providers who have pledged to engage in an ongoing process to sustain high-quality learning outside the classroom and who have demonstrated that they meet six quality indicators. The provider: -

1. has a process in place to assist users to plan the learning experience effectively;
2. provides accurate information about its offer;
3. provides activities, experience or resources which meet learner needs;
4. reviews the experience and acts on feedback;
5. meets the needs of the users; and
6. has safety management processes in place to manage risk effectively.

Each of these high-level indicators has a number of more detailed sub-indicators.

Further details about the Quality Badge can be found on the LOtC website -

<http://www.lotcqualitybadge.org.uk/home>