



# Adventure & Outdoor Update

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## Safety audit update

The Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment has released an [update](#) providing important information for operators and safety auditors, including early registration requirements from February 2013 and an accreditation scheme for safety auditors.

In the update MBIE provides information on:

- The safety audit standard
- Guidance on managing drug and alcohol hazards
- Early registration from February 2013
- Exclusions from early registration
- Planning ahead for safety audits
- Extension of interim auditor arrangements
- Recognised safety auditors: third party accreditation
- Phased approach to accreditation
- MBIE's contact details
- Background

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## Caving Activity Safety Guideline – out tomorrow

The Caving Activity Safety Guideline has been finalised and will be open for public consultation from Monday 24 December. The ASG will be available on the SupportAdventure website from Monday, at this [link](#). The ASG was developed following extensive industry input and guidance. Thanks to everyone who contributed so much time and effort to this ASG.

This is the second in the series of ASGs for specific adventure activities, an outcome of the government-led [Adventure Safety Review](#). The Canyoning ASG was released for public consultation earlier this month.

*Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a very happy and safe 2013.*

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