

FULL MEMBERSHIP TRIP

(Confidential when complete)

To be completed by two full members, then returned to HON. SEC. The training trip should be taken seriously. It should not be regarded as an unnecessary formality. Your life and the reputation of the M.C.G. may depend on the competence of the person you are testing.

Name of Member	Cave Visited	Duration of Trip	Route Underground	Date

Answer YES or NO to each of the following questions.

	1 st Member	2 nd Member
Was the individual: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Able to select a suitable cave for exploration, with regard to current and antecedent weather conditions? • Able to select appropriate tackle and pack it properly? • Aware of need to leave information on location of cave, number in party and estimated time of return in a prominent place or with a reliable person in case of difficulties? • Aware of correct procedure for alerting rescue organisations? • Aware of access arrangements and correct route to chosen cave, or able to find out access arrangement? 	YES/NO YES/NO YES/NO YES/NO YES/NO	YES/NO YES/NO YES/NO YES/NO YES/NO
Did he/she: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safely rig a ladder from natural, artificial and 8mm bolt belays? • Show an awareness of the limitations of ladders, tethers and spreaders? • Show an awareness of any objective dangers: loose boulders, water etc.? 	YES/NO YES/NO YES/NO	YES/NO YES/NO YES/NO
Did he/she: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safely rig a lifeline from natural, artificial and 8mm bolt belays? • Use correct vocal and whistle signals? • Tie a variety of useful knots, e.g. fig.8, bowline, etc.? • Lifeline safely, from top and bottom, both up and down a pitch, using a suitable method? (Note: if "body belay" is chosen, one other remote method must be shown e.g. Italian hitch, fig. 8) • Understand uses and limitations of above, also limitations of rope around waist, belay belts and harness? • Show awareness of different types of rope available and their uses? 	YES/NO YES/NO YES/NO YES/NO YES/NO YES/NO	YES/NO YES/NO YES/NO YES/NO YES/NO YES/NO
Was tackle de-rigged and re-packed adequately?	YES/NO	YES/NO
Was tackle cleaned after the trip?	YES/NO	YES/NO
During the trip did he/she: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Show proper regard for other members of their party, and others present? • Show respect for the cave and cave conservation? • Demonstrate ability to route find competently? 	YES/NO YES/NO YES/NO	YES/NO YES/NO YES/NO
Is he/she aware of the dangers of hypothermia and Weils disease?	YES/NO	YES/NO
Has he/she taken an active part in other Group activities?	YES/NO	YES/NO
Do you regard this person as a safe and satisfactory caver and suitable for full membership of the M.C.G.?	YES/NO	YES/NO

The M.C.G. committee wish to emphasise that it will not accept for full membership applicants who do not exhibit any interest in the Group's activities and the maintenance of the cottage. Full members completing this form are requested to endorse it accordingly.

Remarks:

Full members attending the training trip.	Name: _____	Signature: _____
	Name: _____	Signature: _____