

Geological Society of Glasgow Fieldwork Code

This code is for members of the Geological Society of Glasgow to use when on field trips. ([Guidelines for safety in the field](#) are also available for members on the society website.)

Fieldwork guidelines and more specific guidelines for coring and rock and fossil collecting are provided by a number of organisations:

[The Geologists' Association](#)

[Rockwatch](#)

[The Scottish Geodiversity Forum](#)

[Scottish Natural Heritage](#)

The Geologists' Association and Rockwatch provide fieldwork codes. Links to these can be obtained from the society website.

In Scotland, guidelines are provided by the Scottish Geodiversity Forum and Scottish Natural Heritage (links to these documents can be obtained from the society website):

- [Scotland's Geodiversity Charter](#)
- [The Ethical Rock Collection Policy](#)
- [The Scottish Fossil Code](#)
- [The Scottish Core Code](#)

There are several important points that relate to GSG field trips specifically:

- Hammering exposures is strongly discouraged.
- Respect the wildlife and aesthetics of the exposures.
- Only collect what you need.
- Take care not to endanger yourself or others.
- Protect our geodiversity for others to enjoy.
- Be aware of the different site designations:
 - SSSI (Site of Special Scientific Interest)
 - GCR site (Geological Conservation Review site)
 - LGS (Local Geodiversity Site)



*Coring at Bearreraig Bay, Isle of Skye
(Rigg-Bile SSSI)*