

About Us

Skydive St Andrews is the most modern and progressive skydiving centre in Scotland. Located in the beautiful 'Kingdom' of Fife, and just 5 miles south of the ancient city of St Andrews, it combines a beautiful and convenient location with superb facilities and training. This purpose built facility offers you the opportunity to experience the fantastic thrill of skydiving in comfortable and professional surroundings.

Having jumped, those who wish to continue the sport can enjoy unrivalled advanced training from a staff of former national champions and world record holders.

All this within a fun and friendly atmosphere.



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5 good reasons why Skydive St Andrews is the best place to make your jump...

- New purpose built facilities includes a fully licensed bar
- All of our instructors are qualified & experienced
- Midweek & weekend courses
- On site accommodation and free camping
- We cater for individuals and large groups



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What clothing should I wear?

It is very important to wear comfortable clothing suitable for the expected temperatures and it's best to wear trainers. Boots with hooks for the laces are unacceptable.

Are there any age or weight limits?

You must be 18+ (or 16+ with parental consent). 40 is the limit for AFF or Static line square and 60 for Tandem (exceptions made). 14 stone is the limit for a 1st jump (some exceptions made)

How long will it take to make my first jump?

It depends on the type of jump that you intend to make. A static line course will take a day (we try and jump at the end of that day). In bad weather you may have to stay overnight or return the next day. Tandem takes about 30 mins to instruct (we can't guarantee you will go up immediately so plan for around a six hour stay)

skydiving...

Are spectators allowed ?

Yes spectators are most welcome. The centre has been designed with spectators in mind, we have a fully licensed bar, canteen facilities and a viewing area. As well as the bar we also have very comfortable bunkhouse accommodation for those jumpers who want to stay over and make this a weekend experience, the bar can get very lively on Saturday nights. 😊

What will the jump feel like?

It's an amazing experience which is very difficult to describe, but it is more like flying than falling. As you leave the aircraft you may experience a 'lift in the stomach' and you'll certainly have a big rush of adrenaline. You'll also be aware of a lot of wind noise.

Can I get a picture of my jump?

Yes, capture your experience of a lifetime with a professionally produced video or photographs. These are usually arranged at the centre on the day, just ask at reception.

frequently asked questions

Will I be scared?

Maybe...it's human nature to be frightened of the unknown. You will definitely feel a surge of excitement and anticipation before the jump...this is part of the experience. During the jump itself you'll probably experience a thrill that you have never experienced before - enjoy it!

What kind of parachute will I be using?

Specially designed 'ram-airs' which are square as opposed to the old style round ones. They are all modern and very reliable. The reserve at the top of the container is packed by a British Parachute Association parachute rigger and is equipped with an Automatic Activation Device. We utilise these systems for your safety.

How long does the skydive last?

The tandem freefall lasts for approx. 35 secs with a 5-6 min canopy ride after opening. The accelerated freefall jump is approx. 50 secs of freefall followed by around 2-3 mins of a canopy ride. On the static line jump you'll experience a falling sensation, then the canopy takes about 2-3 secs to deploy and the canopy ride is about 4 mins.



Which Course?

Static Line Square

This is the most popular kind of jump undertaken at Skydive St Andrews and all over the UK, in fact, over 100,000 people skydive this way each year. After training you will jump from around 3000', the parachute is deployed automatically by a 'static line' attached to the aircraft. We also provide you with a radio to help guide you to the ground. The training takes up most of the day but is great fun, particularly with a group of friends, and you get a great deal of personal satisfaction having trained, jumped and flown the 'chute on your own. Once completed it forms part of the natural programme of skydiving training so if you wish to continue the sport (to freefall and beyond), progression is simple and straightforward.



Tandem Skydiving

This is a simple and convenient way to freefall and is one of the most innovative forms of skydiving to be developed in the last decade, and literally thousands of people jump using this system. The instruction needed is minimal, around 30 mins. You'll be attached to a highly experienced instructor from Skydive St Andrews and will freefall

together for about 35 secs up to speeds of 120mph. Your instructor will control the freefall, parachute deployment and the landing, usually right in front of your friends and family.

Accelerated Freefall

Accelerated freefall (AFF) is an advanced course which is only offered in Scotland by Skydive St Andrews. AFF is recognised worldwide as the way to get into skydiving, and is a tried and tested programme of instruction. Primarily designed for those who want to take up the sport, you will qualify faster than the traditional, slower training and progression system. The course will take you from your 1st jump to a basic skydiving licence in around 8 jumps or levels and can be accomplished in a matter of days. You'll receive 'one to one' instruction and will be accompanied and supervised in freefall by an instructor. Jumping from 12,000', you'll freefall for about a minute. Students would have usually experienced one of the above methods of skydiving although this is not essential.

