



“DO YOUR HOMEWORK BEFORE TAKING A 4WD TAG-ALONG-TOUR”!!

Before booking your tour - check out the operator’s credentials!

- Does the company have the ‘*Tick of Accreditation*’ from the Tourism Council WA?
An ‘accredited’ tourism business is required to adhere to compliance guidelines for standards and codes of practice, administration and operating procedures, risk management procedures, customer service policies and more. These can be checked at: www.tourismcouncilwa.com.au/accred.html
- Does the Tour Operator have a current Department of Environment & Conservation (DEC – formerly CALM) license for the areas being visited?
- Does the Tour Operator have Public and Professional Liability Insurance cover – there is a legal requirement of \$10 million if the operator is going into national parks.
- Is there provision for mechanical assistance to be provided should a breakdown occur?
- Is there a First Aid practitioner or Certificate holder in the convoy?
- Does the company have an environmental management policy?
- Does the company have permission from traditional land owners to travel in certain areas?
- Is the escort or back-up vehicle properly equipped with adequate safety, recovery and communications equipment?
- How does the company prepare clients for their outback adventure – do they hold a pre-departure meeting?
- What is the maximum number of vehicles permitted in the convoy – some operators take 20 or more while others limit the numbers.
- What is included in the package price – catering, 4WD tuition, UHF two way radios, professional ‘interpretation’ (or explanation) of what you’re seeing and doing?
- Speak to someone who’s been on a previous tour and get some feedback.

HAPPY TRAVELS!

For more information contact a 4WDIA member