

Nowhere BARRIOS GUIDE

2019



**Or: How not to kill each other
unintentionally at Nowhere**

Nowhere Barrios guide

Introduction

Welcome to Nowhere 2019! It is great that you have got together and formed a Barrio; we welcome your contribution to the festival and hope you have a good time. Barrios are an important part of Nowhere. Through collaboration, you can bring imagination, creativity, art, and spectacle on a much greater scale than on your own.

This document is a guide to running a barrio. It not only contains some best practices but also some important requirements that we need Barrios to follow. Therefore, please read all the information that we have here, and do not hesitate to ask any questions.

If you haven't yet decided on whether you want to form a new Barrio, it also contains a section with useful information to help you decide.

There is also plenty of information on the Nowhere website, especially on the Barrios page at <https://www.goingnowhere.org/en/generalinfo/barrios>. There is also a [Barrios Organisers' group](#) on Facebook, a group for [Nowhere 2019](#), and a [general Nowhere discussion](#) group which you are all encouraged to sign up to.

We realise that this guide contains a lot of information which is pertinent to the UK. We aim to fix that with feedback from the Barrios, also other language versions as time and resources permit. If you would like to help with this, please get in touch.

Finally, if there is anything else which you feel should be in this document, please let us know at barrios@goingnowhere.org

In the meantime, read on and get excited!

Dusty hugs!

Your Barrio Team

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Planning



What is a Barrio?

It is the Nowhere name for a Theme Camp. The Burning Man definition of a Theme Camp is as follows:

- Camps should be visually stimulating, have an inviting design and a plan for crowd management.
- Camps must be interactive. They should include activities, events or services within their camps, and they must be available to the entire community.
See the section on running events, and how to add them to the What? Where? When? Guide!
- Camps must be neighbourly. This includes keeping sound within set limits, controlling where camp generators vent exhaust, and easily resolving any boundary disputes that arise.
- Camps must have a good previous MOOP record (for returning camps).
- Camps must follow safety protocols designed by the organization.
- Finally, camps must submit a registration questionnaire — including an uploaded camp layout plan and a Leaving No Trace commitment

While this is not a strict list of criteria for Nowhere, the same principles apply.

Should we form a Barrio? - Barrios vs Free-camping

There is very little that you can't do Free Camping which you can do as a barrio. The main differences are:

- As a Barrio you get placement (reserved space)
- As a Barrio you can enter events in the What? Where? When? Guide!*
- As a Barrio you qualify for Early Entry up to five days before the event – see later section on page 4.

- You must have a site plan for your Barrio
- You need to have a Leave-No-Trace plan and nominate a leave-no-trace lead
- You need to nominate a wellbeing lead
- You need to nominate a shit ninja (person who looks after one of the porta-potties)

*In fact, there is absolutely nothing from stopping you running an event at Nowhere, however we need to know where you and your event are, which can be a challenge in the Free Camping areas. Some Barrios also will gladly allow you to host an event using their space.

The minimum land area for a Barrio is 10 x 15 meters

There is no minimum or maximum number of people in a Barrio.

Requirements placed on the event by Spanish authorities

The concept of “Radical Self Reliance” applied to Barrios could mean that you can let any crazy bunch of people camp together who can then build any old shade structure, electrocute each other, live in insanitary conditions and cook terrible food which gives each other upset stomachs, finally being killed by a bolt of lightning hitting their unearthed three-meter high metal structure.

HOWEVER, a condition of the use of the site by the local authorities treats the festival like a campsite. This then means that they have regulations which must be adhered to, moreover they inspect the site on Monday and then grant the licence for the event to go ahead.

As kill-joy as this may seem, the regulations are sensible ones which go some way towards Barrios lessening the need for emergency services. The one thing that Nowhere does not need is to place a burden on the emergency or health services of the local town.

The full set of requirements are to be found on the following link:

<https://goo.gl/h71elf>

These requirements are not listed here, however are shown highlighted in red in the appropriate areas in this document, for example:

The perimeter of the camping area must be fenced or otherwise identified, leaving at least 10mt from the vegetation to the camping area. Moreover, no kitchen or source of heat can be placed within the first 10 meters inside the perimeter and must be further than 20 meters from the vegetation.

Note that some of the requirements are for NORG (Nowhere Organisation) and some for individual Barrios. These regulations may change and indeed some of them do at short notice, so listen out for any such changes

Placement, Barrio plan, Design

- 1) When you register your barrio, you will select the amount of space you require.
- 2) After registration ends (21st April) Placement then get busy and you will eventually see a draft placement map with your Barrio on it.

- 3) When finalised, you should receive a diagram from NORG with the shape and dimensions of



FIGURE 1: PLOT FROM NORG

the plot. See Figure 1: Plot from norg.

- 4) You can then definitely lay out your Barrio on that shape. If you are receiving container(s) or portacabins from storage through NORG, you will need to edit the diagram and send it back to placement showing the exact location that the container needs to be in. (See Figure 2) Note to show clearly what end the doors are at!



FIGURE 2 FIGURE RETURNED WITH CONTAINER CLEARLY MARKED ON IT

- 5) You can now get on and design the rest of your camp.

Designing and laying out your camp.

There are several things to take into consideration when building a barrio. Read though the rest of this document, especially paying attention to generator positioning, water cubes and of course allow sunlight to cast shade in certain directions.

Facing “The Playa”

Most Barrios will have some sort of frontage onto the common ground of the site, the “Playa”. This is where visitors will come and visit your Barrio. As a Barrio you should have an area which is open to the public. You are of course able to have a private area too, however, make sure that this is clearly marked if you do want some privacy.

Always have your kitchen away from the public spaces unless you like having random hippies eating your food!

Parking

This year you **don't need to ask for a permission to park onsite**. But you can't use the car parked inside until the end of the event (Sunday) or if you are leaving and not coming back. Please remember that vehicles in the barrio or free camping cannot move at all during the event, not even for groceries or river runs.

Nowhere discourages people from otherwise parking in the Barrio. Exceptions can be made for vehicles which are required to support art installations, disabled access and those where large quantities of provisions are transported in for the Barrio. In all cases, an on-site vehicle pass is required. On-site vehicle passes are not required in Early entry (setup) or strike.

Please indicate on your plan where vehicles are to be parked, especially if you want to move them during the event. Note that vehicles are not allowed to move at night unless for emergency purposes.

There is one on-site car pass allowed per camp. This car must be driven:

- no faster than 7km per hour
- During the day only
- Use the perimeter road only, no driving across site/playa (check the map)

You may have more than one permit for larger camps or if you have disabled people who need access to transport.

Vehicle passes will be available from the Barrios Reception when you check in.

Rain!

It does rain at Nowhere, and when it does it rains very hard! This also means that streams develop across the site, which can flood and ruin the interior of Barrios' structures and tents.

Plan for a structure in your Barrio that will provide shelter from rain. Consider also your kitchen and whether it needs to be waterproof. Also take special care anywhere that electrical equipment is kept (e.g. DJ booths).

Allow for the digging of trenches to divert water away from a tent or structure.

Tents and other structures must not be placed in the areas where water naturally flows in case of rains, nor in the perimeter road or internal paths.

Inclusion in design

As mentioned earlier, all Barrios must have public space for all Nowhere attendees to use, depending on your offering. In designing and laying out your space, please bear in mind less able-bodied attendees. Here are some pointers from our inclusion lead for creating better accessibility for wheelchair users and those with visual impairments.

Make more than one way in and out

Keep in mind that if a barrio has a lot of people in it, the user can still come in/out by an alternative way, without the need to make everyone move.

Trenches:

Electricity cables entrenched in the dirt need to be tamped down to allow vehicular and wheelchair access.

Trenching for rain protection: allow an area at least one meter wide to be flat. This can be dug out when it actually rains!

/!\ Think of every entry/exit (front / back / right / left)

Walkways:

Keep all walkways at least one meter wide **with no obstructions!** Think of this when hammering in rebar, running ropes, placing furniture and decoration etc.

Rebar & Strings:

Put some light on it and cover it with tennis balls (or at least with cans)! This should be a no brainer as it aids partially-sighted Burner walking. This is the most common injury at Nowhere for anyone, whether able-bodied or not!

Lights

Put some light on the name of your barrio, at least some LEDs to make it visible from 1m, better if you can see it from ten meters away, for partially-sighted people and/or people with disorientation (self-inflicted lack of able-bodied-ness)!

Steps

No steps anywhere! find/think another way to avoid steps. There is no such thing as a LITTLE step!

Curtains:

Cut them at approx. 5 cm above the floor. You cannot open a curtain when the front wheels are on it!

Seating, Mattresses:

Not on the floor: rise them up at 50cm. If you use pallets, fix them together. Don't put them on the floor, it is too hard to get up by yourself without legs.

Hammocks

The harder the tension on the hammock the easier it is to get in/out. Do not hang more than 50 cm above the floor.

Table / workbenches:

Allow space for feet and front wheels under the table with no obstructions in front to get access. Table height: min 70cm under table top (access of knee), max 85cm on top of table (80cm is good)

Second Floors and Terraces

if you don't know how to make it accessible for everybody, make it (inaccessible) for no one at all. but if you want to, for example: gallows / pulley / rope / hoist block and tackle

Changing areas

Some events at Nowhere may require participants to change their clothes, or more likely to remove them! Barrios should cater for people who may have mobility issues.

One of the best means by which a wheelchair user can change their clothes is by using a mattress on a bed (note, not the floor).

Early entry

The tickets team will provide each barrio lead with an online Early Entry allocation tool, to permit their build team access to the site before the festival starts. The Early Entry date will be linked to the same ticket code that gets everyone into the festival. Enter the emails/code/ticket barcode for each member of your build crew into the online Early Entry allocation tool.

Please, when you receive the Nowhere Ticket Team email with the instructions, complete your Early Entry allocation as soon as possible!

Early entry starts from Wednesday the 3rd July 2019. If you need to come earlier because you are building a huge project, let us know, but don't come without an Early Entry before the afternoon of Monday 8th July!

So early entry sounds like fun – however....

Early entry is to work hard and set up your Barrio, not to party!!!

Yes, you must get up at 06:00 so that you can start work at 07:00!

The working hours of the entire site are typically 07:00 until 13:00, then from 16:00 to 20:00. Any people found partying and playing loud music or creating a disturbance at night will be severely told off!

Numbers are restricted

Typically, up to 30% of your Barrio will be granted to come on site early to help setup, thus each Barrio needs to consider the right mix of people. If you have a small Barrio with a lot of infrastructure, then that figure may be higher. Each is considered on a case-by-case basis.

You will not be fed by Werkhaus/Cantina!

Cantina is a kitchen run to support the NORG organisation during setup and strike. It does not cater for starving Barrio setter-uppers! Thus, any Barrio needs to have a functional kitchen as a priority. The work involved in setting up a camp is quite strenuous, so Barrios need to plan catering for their setup crew. This must be PROPER FOOD and not pot noodles! Consider recruiting a Barrio Early Entry member to oversee catering for the others.

No Kids during build

Setup is effectively a building site: safety measures are not in place. Most accidents at Nowhere occur during setup. It is strongly recommended that you do not bring any children as part of the build crew for your barrio.

Please send questions to barrios@goingnowhere.org

When you arrive on site

- First Barrio entrants: **only arrive during daylight hours**. If it is dark: stay off site and sleep the night in a nice comfortable bed (or a ditch somewhere). If it is pre-event the entrance to Nowhere will be closed and not staffed. Driving about at night on site will be dangerous, to you and potentially to others.
- You may be able to leave your vehicle at gate and walk onto site, but if you plan to drive onto site in the middle of the night and faff about setting up a tent (and wake everyone up doing so) forget it! Enjoy NOT being on the playa!
- Do not arrive on the Monday morning before midday. This is the time that the site inspection is conducted, the fire alarm tested, and the evacuation drill is performed. The Gate will be closed during this time.

Check the Latest Nowhere Map for the date location: it may have changed since the last map you downloaded.

- Barrios will be marked on the ground by flags. **Check in with the Barrios Reception at Babycharm when you first arrive.** The directions to the Barrios Reception will be available at Gate. The reception will put you in contact with placement, who will show you where your plot is and where the boundaries are.
- Flags with two names indicate borders between Barrios. Please check **both sides** of a flag.
- You must leave at least five metres clearance between your Barrio site and the barrier tape. These clearances are roads, where large trucks will be passing. They also enable emergency vehicles to gain access if necessary and allow easy access for other Barrios. If you place your tents there, **they will be removed** without warning, or maybe **crushed by a truck**. Please tell all your camp members.
- You must also leave at least ten metres clearance between your Barrio and any vegetation, and 100 metres from barrancas / ravines. This is for safety reasons, and is a stipulation enforced by the authorities and local regulations.

Questions to: Ward placement@goingnowhere.org, or ask for [to be inserted] when on site.

The Barrios reception will also have very limited facilities you can use for charging tools and phones, water for sanitising water cubes, and information about how to get your water delivered and your fire extinguishers inspected.

When departing at the end of Nowhere

There will be no formal check-out. It would help if you can let Barrios reception know that you have vacated your site.

Barrios must have vacated Nowhere by Saturday the 20th July.

Getting your stuff to and from Nowhere



So, you have a Barrio and lots of exciting art projects and STUFF to take to Nowhere! Do not fall into the trap of buying some old van two weeks before the festival, overloading it and driving several thousand kilometres only to be surprised when it breaks down.

Tips for getting a van full of stuff to Nowhere:

- Hire or use a known working van!
- If you are using your own van, get it serviced before the journey
- Get European insurance and breakdown cover.
- Make sure the cover covers you to be towed to site, then home again afterwards. Invariably a replacement vehicle is not big enough.
- Make sure you have the bulb selection and safety accessories that are required by law in Spain. If you are traveling through any other countries (e.g. France) then ensure that you also check legal requirements for headlight bulbs, breathalysers, first aid kits, hazard warning triangles, and more.
- Make sure you have enough Hi-Visibility vests for everyone travelling in the van.

Some useful information on requirements for driving in Spain and France can be found here:

<https://www.rac.co.uk/drive/travel/country/spain/>

<https://www.drive-france.com/checklist/>

Packing a van

We recommend buying plastic stackable packing crates such as the ones used for moving offices and pack all your stuff into them. Label them clearly by sticking duct tape onto the crates and write on that. Loading and unloading will be much easier and fewer things will get broken.

If you are taking luggage and equipment for your campmates, consider giving them these plastic crates in advance to use instead of suitcases. This will make your van easier to pack, and you will optimise the usage of space. You may like to remind your campmates not to put anything illegal in their crates or luggage; the driver and passengers of the van will be held liable if caught at customs when travelling across borders.

Delicate things and audio-visual devices which cost a lot of money should be packed in flight cases, or at least surrounded by spongey stuff to protect them. Label which way up it should go.

Alternatives to driving in a van

Ubertown offer space to rent in their transportation. Contact Josh at josh@goingnowhere.org to find out more.

Driving through France or taking a ferry

If you are based in the UK, then taking one of the ferries directly to Spain is tempting but may seem expensive. We recommend doing so for the following reasons:

- You get 24 hours rest before (and after the event, if ferrying back),
- You get to drink BEER and have showers AND a bed!
- It's payback time for taking everyone else's stuff
- Driving through France is quite expensive if you add up the tolls and fuel spent, plus accommodation costs if you choose to stay somewhere en-route
- You'll spend more money on fuel if your van is heavily laden
- You might see a dolphin!

Storage containers

There is now something in the region of 50 containers owned jointly by NORG and the Barrios. These are regular shipping containers which are stored locally, delivered onto site one week prior to the start of the festival, and taken away afterwards. This is organised by NORG in advance: please do not show up with a container!

NORG arranges the transport from storage to site and back again. More instructions will follow on the form you will receive.

We will provide instructions on how to purchase a container, and how to register it for collection and storage after Nowhere.

Tips on containers:

- **You must** display a poster on the inside doors of your container telling your campmates what cannot be stored in it. Collect this from the Barrios reception on-site.
- **Do not** put ANY food items in the container when it is going into storage. All kitchen utensils, cooking apparatus and equipment which has been used for food preparation or storage, including plates and cutlery, must be cleaned before storing. The slightest whiff of food and your container will be infested with rats!
- The containers are stored in the sunshine in rural Spain. Do not put anything in the container which could be damaged by the heat.
- Never put anything flammable in the container.

- The container is not insured. We recommend that you do not store expensive equipment in them. Just hippy shit!
- Do not store any liquids or water. During the winter it may freeze, and water will leak everywhere.
- Try to fill the container evenly. If it is loaded only at one end, the contents will shift. Containers are loaded onto the transport lorry by crane and may tilt to an angle of about 30 degrees.
- Pack selected essential and emergency items as the last items by the door in your container, which also means they will be the first things unpacked next year by your build crew. We recommend that this includes:
 - 1) Essential kitchen equipment – plus stove (but do not include gas canisters, tanks or cylinders!).
 - 2) Knife, scissors
 - 3) First aid kit
 - 4) Emergency tool kit
 - 5) Lump or sledge hammer
 - 6) Torch
 - 7) Tents, sleeping bags and mattresses for the first people to arrive next year.

What you can and cannot store in containers

Containers are subject to rules on storage, and the following items are prohibited:

- Food or perishable goods
- Combustible, flammable, explosive or oxidising materials, liquids or gases e.g. paint, petrol, oil, cleaning solvents, gas cylinders, cellulose nitrate film, fireworks
- Firearms, weapons, ammunition, explosives or the components thereof
- Chemicals, radioactive materials, biological agents; pollutants, toxic or hazardous materials or contaminated goods or other materials of a potentially dangerous nature
- Any item which emits any fumes, smell or odour;
- Waste materials
- People

Please review the later section on Gas Cylinders carefully.

Generators can be stored in Containers; however, these **must** have all the fuel drained beforehand. One option is simply running the generator until it runs out of fuel. Leave the fuel lid open for a few hours to let any residual fuel evaporate, ensuring it is away from any source of ignition and with a sign on it. Secure the cap back on it tightly prior to storage.

Creating a community



Your Barrio is a collection of individual people, with all the benefits and frustrations that that entails. There will always be an imbalance of members who seem to work harder than others. Some people will be able to spend more time earlier for set-up or later for strike, whilst others may not be able to stay beyond the days of the festival. It is important for the tasks involved in any Barrio to be shared as evenly as possible.

Try to recruit members who are focused on the Barrio's theme, including the events that the Barrio is running. Make sure that they can meet up with other Barrio members prior to the event. Try to recruit members based upon their skill sets and not on their looks! Also, seek a diverse and inclusive range of people, bearing in mind that people may tend to recruit in their own image. A Barrio full of nothing but DJs would just kill each other!

Inclusion

Radical inclusion is a core principle. Try to recruit a range of ages, genders, races, abilities, nationalities and people of differing sexual orientation. (see also earlier design issues for less abled people)

Orientation

We recommend you hold a welcome/orientation session for all campmates early in the week, introducing everyone to the Barrio "rules", and people's responsibilities:

- How the camp works
- Leave no trace – how to dispose of things, how recycling operates
- Health and safety- washing hands, keeping clean, not leaving food lying about

- How the showers work and how to avoid using all the water!
- Where water comes from
- Issues around consent
- Noise policy
- Acceptable behaviour in your camp
- Kitchen shifts and camp duties/chores

Also take this opportunity to remind everyone not only of their responsibilities in the Barrio, but also more generally at the festival, including the core principles.

Kids

The traffic light system for “kid friendly” camps has worked very well for the past couple of years and are implementing this system again.

Please let us know the information requested below via email to inclusion@goingnowhere.org.

Is your child friendly or not?

“Child friendly” is self-defined, and you can stipulate that you would prefer no unaccompanied minors. Providing this information does not guarantee anything but does inform parents. No-one will police children entering camps that define themselves as adult only, but we will advise parents of your preference. If you want something that is more visual or official, placing a sign at your Barrio that indicates “adult only” or clearly identifying adult only areas can be useful.

Sometimes you’re adult only, sometimes you’re not?

If your Barrio has a varying schedule or could be considered “Parental Guidance advised”, can you let us know those parameters? For example:

kids are okay during the day but not at night

it is kid-friendly, but parents should be mindful that adult activities occur

Do you have some areas of your barrio that are adult only and others that are not?

If you want us to advise parents of this, please respond and let us know specifics.

If you have kids camping with you, please let us know!

We are curious and want to meet all the kids at Nowhere, but other kids might also want to hang out with the kids at your camp.

Do you have any kid friendly workshops or activities at your barrios?

You can list kid’s events in the *What? Where? When? Guide!* Indicate the age range for an event when you list it, and these events will be flagged both on the website and in the printed guide. These events can also be publicised at Ohana house.

It is required by Spanish Law that minors are prevented from seeing material or activities which are prohibited, notably sexual acts and the supply of alcohol. If you are running such an event, make sure that clear signs are in place requiring participants to be over 18 years old.

If you do not yet know this information and want to let us know on site, please stop by **Ohana House** and update us. We will collate the information and post it at Ohana House and can share with parents and families.

Running Events at your Barrio



As mentioned, one of the principles inherited from Burning Man is that theme camps (and therefore, our Barrios) exist to provide to the whole community. They are not merely a way of providing an oasis in the desert for the pure benefit of the campmates, but rather they should offer communal spaces, experiences or events.

Most Barrios run specific events during the week, whether these are one-off events or daily events, and whether they run at specific times or all day.

These fall into several different categories. The categories used in the past have included Workshops, Parties, Spiritual/Healing, Performance/Arts, and more. If you're going to run an event and you can't find an appropriate category – let us know! wwwguide@goingnowhere.org

You can also denote whether your event is targeted at a specific audience. For example, if you're going to run a workshop with the alluring title of “fisting for beginners”, you should probably restrict it so that only adults attend. You can *also* schedule events that are specifically designed for kids – although we'd recommend you then leave fisting off the agenda!

The What? Where? When? Guide!

A guide is published that includes details of all the week's events. This is printed as a magazine and is handed to people as they arrive at Nowhere. Everyone has access to the website in advance, to be able to add events, as well as browsing through other people's events. You can also create your own agenda of events that you want to attend throughout the week, even if you're not running any events yourself.

The What? Where? When? Guide! website will be going live towards the end of May. To be included in the published guide, events must be registered into the website before the deadline, which is mid-June. The exact date will be determined once we know what the printing schedule is going to be.

Once live, the website will be available at <https://wwwguide.goingnowhere.org>

If you've got any questions, please contact Scally: wwwguide@goingnowhere.org

Water and water cubes



FIGURE 1: VERMIN MAY GET INTO YOUR CUBE.

Sanitation and prevention

Showers: there must be at least one shower for every 30 Camping units or fractions thereof. A camping unit is considered as a group of four people, so if your camp has more than 120 people you must have at least two showers.

Water: there must be enough available to **guarantee a minimum of 30 litres of water per person per day for hygienic use**. This does not include bottled/potable water for drinking.

You need lots of water! Water is not provided by the festival, and there is no tap!!

The standard solution for water provision is using “Water Cubes”. These hold 1000 litres of water each, meaning you need one cube for every 30 campmates.

Your Barrio must have as many water cubes as shown in the list below:

Campmates in Barrio:	30	60	90	120	150	180
Water cubes needed:	1	2	3	4	5	6

It is up to you and your Barrio to buy a water cube, sanitise it, build a thing for it to sit on and pack it away afterwards in your container or remove it from site. How do you do all of this? Read on!

Where do I get one from?

NORG will not arrange to sell you a cube. The recommended options for purchasing one are:

1. Lopez – the former Ironmonger who has now earned SO much money from Nowhere that he just provides things for Nowhere. His Cubes maaaay not be new but will be reasonable. He may also be able to transport it to site for you. He can be reached at lopez.marin@monegros.net (you must speak Spanish!!)
2. There is a group purchasing movement – see the Facebook listings in the [Barrio Organisers Group](#).

How do I sanitise a cube and stop it from poisoning EVERYONE in my Barrio?

For both of the following options, use Domestic Bleach (5% chlorine), not clever industrial bleach or hippy earth-loving bleach made from hemp and mung beans.

If you have a filthy cube which has had a rat die in it, or you have purchased your cube from a meth lab:

Take the rat, used needles and any other debris out of the cube. Take cube off-site to somewhere with access to the sewerage system.

Fill the cube with water, about a cup of washing up liquid and five litres of domestic bleach and leave to stand for an hour, then empty through the tap/faucet, initially into a basin or bucket then the remainder into the sewerage system. Immerse the lid and the tap/faucet assembly in the bucket for another 20 minutes. Clean off excess soapy water with a hose or pressure washer.

If your cube has been used for water only, has been in storage, and has no rat poo or chemicals in it

Fill the cube with ten litres of bleach solution. This should be 1-part bleach to around 150 parts water. You can put 60ml of bleach into the cube. Put the lid on and rotate the cube six times, so that each side has a good soaking. On each rotation, gently rock the cube for 5 minutes to agitate the bleach solution. This includes the top side, with the lid on.

Finally drain through the tap/faucet into a container. **Do not dump the used bleach water onto the playa surface:** take the water to somewhere in civilisation to empty into the sewerage system.

Alternatively, use the same quantity of water and bleach but with a pressure washer, with a special attachment for water cube cleaning which looks something like this:



Normal use

Nowhere is extremely sensitive about people not being infected with stomach bugs. **It is critically important for the cube to be kept sanitised, otherwise it will infect everyone in the camp.** Thus, with every fill, we recommend adding a low level of bleach: 2 teaspoons per cube. Add this while the cube is being filled to allow it to mix up. Allow the cube to stand for a few hours for the bleach taste to dissipate.

This low level of bleach is not poisonous and is common and well-established practise for communities using static water tanks.

If you are worried about a slightly bleach-y taste affecting your cooking, you can use bottled / mineral water.

There is no indication the illness on site in 2013 was caused by water contamination.

Sunlight

Sunlight can affect Chlorine levels in water. We'll supply Chlorine testing strips to barrios this year - - barrios should test daily and keep records and adjust chlorine levels if necessary. Follow the instructions below, which have been provided by Malfare.

Children, Pregnant Women, and people with immunity issues are advised to drink bottled water and should bring their own bottled water (self-reliance).

Pregnant Men can carry on drinking cube water and beer.

Does it need to go on a stand?

Ideally, yes. You need to pour water out of the cube and into other containers. Attach a faucet and have it at least 70 cm above ground for all people to access.

Bear in mind that 1000L of water weighs 1 metric tonne, so your structure needs to be strong.

There are some guides on how to build one yourself, however the easiest and cheapest way to do this is to get four small wood pallets and screw them all together!

See <https://breenbushdesign.wordpress.com.../> for more tips.

How do I get it filled?

A water truck visits site during the week to refill water cubes.

You pay for the refills using a voucher. You must hang a flag on your water cube to indicate to the water truck team that your cube needs filling. We are giving out poles with flags on the end to make it easier for Luis to find you. Please only put these up when you need a cube filling.

Vouchers

Each voucher costs **€50** and fills a cube with up to 1,000 litres.

You can pre-purchase water (and ice) vouchers this year by transferring funds to NORG by bank transfer or PayPal. Instructions for this process can be found below. Vouchers can be collected on-site from the Rainmaker Station at No Info. We highly recommend this approach, as we want to minimise the handling of cash on-site.

If you need to pay for a voucher on-site, you can also do so at the Rainmaker Station.

We recommend barrios pre-purchase a minimum of three water refills and 30 bags of ice, to reduce cash transactions on-site.

“Fill me up” flags

These signs must be hung on your water cube by 10am so that the water truck team know they need to stop at your Barrio. Collect your flag pole from Barrios Reception).

Getting your water cube filled up

1. Purchase a voucher either in advance or on the day.
2. Notify Rainmaker (at Ice Ice baby, in NoInfo) that your Barrio requires a water top-up. They will let the Water Truck team know to look out for the sign on your water cube.
3. Erect the flag and attach it to the side of your water cube.
4. Make sure there is someone present who can help and who knows what to do, for example paying for your water with the voucher, and adding the correct amount of bleach during the filling cycle.

Do not wait until your cube is fully empty to refill it!

You must purchase your voucher and hang your sign by 10am. We recommend that you do this the night before you need it!

The water truck team start their route at 10am each morning. The route can take a few hours to complete, so you may not receive your water until later in the day.

If you do not place your sign onto your water cube in time and the water truck passes you by, it will not backtrack to service you. You will have to wait until the following day!

Pre-event fills

Before the event begins, you will be given your pre-purchased vouchers when you check in at Barrios Reception. The water truck will come each day of setup.

Pre-event payments

There is a new process for pre-payments for this year improving on last years'. This space will be updated later.

Purchasing additional vouchers during the event

If you need more water during the event, go to Ice Ice baby in NoInfo and ask Rainmaker for a refill.

Other than paying cash for your voucher, the process is the same as for a pre-paid voucher.

Regulations require a sign on your water cube.

Water in the water cubes must be marked as “not safe for drinking”. If you don’t have a sign to put on the cube, pop by Barrios reception.

Yes, it is true. We all must have a sign on every cube saying “Not safe for drinking”, in English and Spanish. Don’t worry, the water is safe for drinking. Viva España!

How do I empty it?

It is clean water, so it can be emptied onto the playa floor. However, before you do this, go down to Werkhaus and announce that you have a lot of water to get rid of and lots of filthy people will come and enjoy the spa day at your Barrio!

Make sure also that the water does not flow into the direction of someone’s tent.

Where do I put it afterwards?

The cube is your responsibility, so you must remove it from site and store it somewhere. Make sure

- it is empty
- the lid on the top is loose
- the tap/faucet is open to allow air in and out
- attach a piece of fabric to the hole so rats won’t get in it

If you take the lid off completely, rats may fall in and die.

Showers

Site showers away from Kitchen areas. Plan for accessibility for all camp members.

Have a flat entrance to the shower for wheelchair users or people with movement difficulties – pallet buried in the ground covered in matting – but add planks to the pallet to fill gaps. Or a board, but anything is better than a muddy puddle! Allow a space of at least 2x2 meters.

If you are using shower bags, allow a pulley to easily raise and lower the bags. Shower bags need to hang from a hook which is at least 50cm higher than the person being showered, so an arrangement of pulley and carabiner is the best way of changing bags.

An electric pump and hand shower is the easiest for anyone with mobility issues, (or without for that matter). If you do incorporate an electric pump just make sure that it has a timer on it otherwise your camp will drain your water cube quickly imagining that they are in a shampoo advert.

Make sure any shower head attachment can be detached and reached by a person in a chair and can be used at chair height (that includes washing your arse and feet).

Waste water/liquids

There are various grades of yukky water. The site is agricultural land and thus tolerates low levels of things like soap and bleach, and indeed benefits from things like compost.

Things that can go on the ground near your Barrio:

- Shower water – please use environmentally friendly soaps and shampoos. No hair dyes!
- Cooking water for things like boiled vegetables, potatoes, pasta
- Melted ice
- Water from cool boxes – if clean!

Things that you need to collect and take to scrub land away from camping:

- Cooking liquids – e.g. tomato soup
- Water from cool boxes which have become into direct contact with food
- Drink leftovers – tea, coffee, beer, soft drinks, wine
- Washing up water if stained, fatty or contaminated with food

The main reason to take this far away from camping is that this water will attract flies. It may also smell unpleasant. Please do not dump this waste water repeatedly in the same place in the scrub land, or smells will develop. Do not also dump it uphill, or it may get washed back into your camp when it rains.

Three important rules regarding waste water/liquids:

1. Do not pour waste liquids into porta potties!
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3. Do NOT pour waste liquids into porta potties!

The only things that can go into porta potties come out of your body, that's poo, piss and puke. If you have a pee bottle in your tent, that can be emptied into the porta potty in an early-morning walk of shame.

Cooking fat and oils – do not pour onto the soil – please collect and keep in a suitably large container. [There is no fat recycling program yet – watch this space!]

Food and drink



Communal food and drink brings a barrio together!

Kitchen in your camp

There is a lot of helpful info about how to run a kitchen on the Nowhere website, see:

<https://www.goingnowhere.org/faq/>

Keeping the kitchen clean is very important, so we have the following tips for you:

Washing up

Use a Three-Compartment Sink. The first bowl contains water with washing up liquid, the second with warm water to rinse. The third with water with a bleach solution. See the following video (sorry it's American):

<https://youtu.be/T3dasib2IY8>

Cleaning surfaces

Keep a CLEARLY LABELED spray bottle of diluted bleach handy for cleaning. Sorry, this is US measurements – but useful: <http://modernsurvivalblog.com/health/disinfectant-bleach-water-ratio/>

Organisation

Keep everything in containers including plates, knives forks. See-through containers of course are better for finding things in!

Safety

Have a fire blanket in the kitchen and ensure that everyone knows how to use it properly.

Kitchen basics

Inclusion

The layout of kitchen may need to include less able-bodied people than yourself. Plan accordingly to allow wheelchair access and reachability. Allow clear signage for visually impaired people.

Nutrition at Nowhere

We have done studies on nutritional requirements for desert camping and apart from the obvious rehydration requirements (high levels of salt), everyone's diets require high proportions of protein. So, if you were thinking of every meal being a pot noodle, think again!

This can work at odds with vegetarian and especially vegan dietary requirements, so careful planning is needed. Some pointers:

- Protein in vegetarian diets include eggs, cheese, Quorn, meat alternatives
- Protein in Vegan (and therefore Vegetarian) diets includes nuts, lentils, beans, soya
- Quorn is not Vegan! Be careful with other "meat substitutes".
- Pasta is not Vegan!

Oh, and while we are here...

- Seafood is not Kosher!

Preparation

It will be about five times as difficult to cook a meal at Nowhere compared to your kitchen at home! With that in mind, try to prepare food off-site and make the onsite cooking part as easy as possible.

Some Barrios make all their meals, freeze them, put them in a freezer and take the entire thing to Nowhere. A freezer and its contents can remain frozen for up to three days during transit if it is sealed and not opened.

Activities like boiling rice, pasta and potatoes are obviously best done on site.

Avoid seafood unless it is purchased and eaten the same day.

Shopping

There are local shops in Sariñena, notably Día and Eroski, both of which manage to cope with the erratic demand introduced by Nowhere. We recommend going to Zaragoza for a greater diversity of products. Bear in mind also:

- Spanish opening hours – especially Sunday when NOTHING is open
- Vegetarian products are quite hard to get hold of in Spain! Bring your Quorn Mince from your home country.
- Spanish supermarkets sell different products, so what may be easy to find at home may not be available in Spain.

When you finally get back to camp with bags and bags of stuff, we recommend packing all the ingredients for each day in separate cardboard boxes and taping them up, writing on the box what it is. Similarly, with ingredients that need to be kept cold, wrap them in separate zip lock bags for each day and tape them up. That way you will make cooking easier on the day but also avoid the scenario where all the onions for the week get fried for the first meal.

If you're feeling especially well organised, you can even separate out ingredients for different days as you shop in supermarkets. Your mileage may vary with this, and it depends how many people you've got helping you with the shopping.

ICE

Ice is available for purchase on-site. It can be bought from "Ice Ice Baby", which is situated at NoInfo. Each bag of ice costs €2,50. You can only exchange tokens for ice. Tokens can be bought from the Rainmaker at NoInfo. You can also pre-purchase tokens.

Pre-event purchases

NEW FOR 2018!

Barrios can pre-purchase up to 40 bags of ice per barrio and collect them at Ice Ice Baby during the event.

Put your barrio name in the transfer notes along with the number of bags you prepaid and send us proof of payment to and rainmaker@goingnowhere.org by 20th June.

The process for transferring funds to NORG is the same as for water cube refills. See the section above, "**Error! Reference source not found.**" on page **Error! Bookmark not defined.** for instructions.

When you arrive on-site, take your proof of payment to the Rainmaker and collect your ice tokens.

At the beginning of the week

- Barrios that have pre-purchased ice will show their proof of purchase to the Rainmaker and receive their tokens.
- Cash sales of tokens will also be available on site. Cash sales are only available when the Rainmaker is in Ice Ice Baby.
- See below chart for opening hours and Rainmaker availability.

During the Event

NEW SYSTEM FOR 2019

- Ice Ice Baby volunteers collect tokens in exchange for bags of ice. They will not handle money.
- Ice Ice Baby opening hours are from Noon to 8pm.
- **IMPORTANT: From 6pm to 8pm, bags can only be collected with pre-purchased tokens.** There will be no tokens available for sale and absolutely NO CASH SALES of ice bags from 6pm to 8pm.



No credit! If people don't have money (in the correct currency; Euros!) they don't get any tokens.

Deliveries

We do not encourage Barrios to have items delivered directly to site because of the temporary nature of the festival being difficult to find, and its unsuitability for vehicles to drive down.

General rules:

- If you have a delivery turning up, then they should go to the production entrance.
- Note that there is nobody there who will "sign" for anything, so you must meet the delivery there.
- If they must drive to your Barrio, you will have to meet them at the production entrance and accompany their journey across the "Field of Dirt" (FoD) AND BACK! Nobody can drive across the FoD unaccompanied. You also must be sober*.
- We would prefer it if deliveries are transferred to your car/van/trolley at gate rather than having trucks and vans come onto site depending on bulk due to the staring-at-boobies-while-running-hippies-over problems.
- Deliveries cannot be done at night.
- You must have a **Spanish mobile phone number** which is working at the time which you give to the supplier, so they can call you when they arrive. (assuming the supplier is Spanish).

Barrios always want to use the production entrance for this. NORG are keen for you not to. However, the gate road is not suitable for larger trucks. The production entrance has security on it who are trained to let drivers through who have special passes, so random delivery trucks will not be let in, nor can security "radio through" information to you. To organise larger deliveries then please contact the Barrios organiser.

Building structures



Structure and art pieces

All metal structures, including containers, portacabins, geodesic domes, generators, lightning rods and any metal art piece of the same size of, or higher than, a lightning rod, **must be grounded and the earth grounding must be certified by an authorised electrician** (Nowhere works with some local certified electricians so if you can't provide a Spanish legal certification ask in Production and we'll add you to the list of structures they'll check. The cost of this depends entirely on the electrician, not on NORG, we'll have more information closer to the event)

All structures taller than 2,5mt will be inspected daily by a competent technician, within the Nowhere organization, to certify their integrity and stability. The technician will fill and sign a form with updated statements, available in case of need.

You may have heard it from other people but yes, Nowhere generally is very hot! There can also be freak thunderstorms where several centimetres of rain falls in a very short space of time. Severe winds usually accompany the thunderstorms, and high winds can last for several days.

To say that this makes shelter challenging is an understatement!

There is also wealth of information about securing structures and other Barrio items on the web:

<https://burningman.org/event/preparation/playa-living/securing-your-structure/>

<https://journal.burningman.org/....diy-your-burn-shelter-shade-cool-cool-comfort/>

General tips on structures

1. Design and plan it, buy materials in advance.

2. Make complicated bits at home, put them together on site. It's 10 times harder to make stuff at Nowhere compared to a workshop at home. You are also miles from a hardware shop, which opens strictly during Spanish hours.
3. Assemble the structure at home in entirety in a field. If you can, leave it up for several days to test it.
4. Get a builder or an architect to review your structure
5. Get feedback from other people on the Barrios or Nowhere lists (they'll be assholes but do it anyway)
6. Use shade cloth, do not use tarps. Tarps, although offering 100% shade, turn into a sail in strong winds which invariably end up with the structure being ruined. Tarps are also noisy in the wind
7. Camouflage netting is very good for shade and cover.
8. The plastic silvery film stuff is noisy, MOOPy and tears quickly!
9. Use your container as part of your structure.
10. Build your structure before the event, not during it. Hippies are bad enough at building stuff, but drunk/high hippies are even worse.
11. Your main area may be some fantastic creative work of engineering and architecture, however, consider something a bit more dull but practical for your kitchen. Bear in mind the kitchen must survive storms intact, also needs to be waterproof.
12. You can use the container for kitchen related stuff but do not do cooking in them due to build-up of gas. They also get hot.

We have used small marquees for the kitchen from gala tents in the UK. They have survived all sorts of extreme weather but make sure you order the storm accessories.

<https://www.galatent.co.uk/>

Check out their excellent rebar pegs!!

Structures over 2.5m tall must be cleared by Build Lead, and inspections may occur to validate the safety of the structure.

Earthing requirement

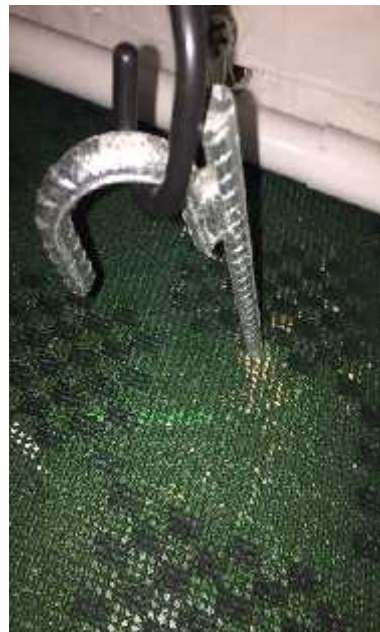
Domes and all **metal structures must be grounded**. This includes your container if you have one. Please bring a conductor rod, earthing bond, earth wire (10mm) and block connector to attach to the metal item. Here are links to the various bits you will need:

<http://amzn.eu/hsbAoDE>

<http://amzn.eu/fDlqTRg>

<http://amzn.eu/iglkrrn5>

<http://amzn.eu/j3OI5o2>



The earthing rod can be driven into the soil with a small mallet. Once connected, pour about 2L water around the rod to ensure connectivity.

To remove the lightning rod, you can use a vice grip to rotate the rod, pulling upwards at the same time.

<http://amzn.eu/6MKUsW7>

See the following video on how to remove a grounding rod **and ignore anyone else's advice!**

https://youtu.be/ky_2NjaTPX8



FIGURE 3: EARTHING ROD CONNECTED TO CONTAINER

FIGURE 2 EARTHING ROD CONNECTED TO CONTAINER

All structures should be prepared for storms and heavy winds. Ask Build Lead for help on storm-proofing

Questions to: (Build Lead) bdsm@goingnowhere.org

Generators and electrics

Yes, generators are noisy, and nobody wants them near their camp, so what better place to put them but next to the neighbouring camp!

Modern generators are relatively quiet, especially small ones the size of a suitcase. Cheap generators are very noisy indeed: you must build a baffle to surround it or you will drive everyone mad.

There's a whole load of information on power and electronics at the Burning Man ePlaya site, see: <https://eplaya.burningman.org/viewforum.php?f=278>

Do you need a generator, if so, how much energy do you need?

If you are not running a sound system any greater than a domestic one, you should not need a generator.

You can also use 12V-240V inverters for running low power mains items such as computers or certain audio-visual devices.

If you are running a fridge or a freezer, you should use a generator, 12V will not cope.

To work out your power requirements, simply add the wattage rating of all your major devices together.

- Sound systems – active speakers will display the Power requirements (wattage) on the rear
- Amplifiers are the same – look on the back to check how much power it will consume. Note: If a 100W per channel Amp is supplying a 200W speaker, it is the Amplifier's rating you use.
- Other devices (such as mixers): same again! They will display the power consumption at the rear or on the underside.
- Anything that runs off a small transformer (like a mobile phone) can be safely ignored as their power consumption is negligible.
- Electric kettles and coffee machines are bastards and use a lot of power – use gas to boil water!
- A chest Freezer will typically use 500W (see this handy list of items and power: <http://www.i4at.org/surv/wattage.htm>)
- LED lighting is low power; beware any filament or halogen bulbs!
- Beware of using a higher-rating sound system and "keeping the volume turned down". The sound system may well have spikes and peaks when being turned on or when some clown pulls the cables out of the back, which could overload the system long enough to trip everything.
- Bring the lowest power generator you need but allow some overheads in your calculations for error.
- Turn the generator off at night, do not worry about the freezer, it will cope being off for a few hours.

You can typically run a camp with a freezer and a beefy enough sound system from a small suitcase-size generator – models like this Honda kick out a total of 2,200W.



Alternatives

These days lighting is much more efficient, and you can run a camp from 12V electricity using solar panels and car batteries. Again, there is a wealth of information on that subject on the ePlaya forum.

Positioning of generators and gasoline (petrol)

GENERATORS

Generators must be placed at least 15m from any camping area and at least 20m from any vegetation.

All generators must have at least one CO2 extinguisher nearby.

If you are using a generator, please ensure generator and all other danger spots cannot be accidentally accessed by participants, by building appropriate barriers.

Fuel must be stored at **least 15 meters** from the generator.

Fuel should be stored in an airtight container and kept in a shaded, well ventilated area, away from anything flammable. We strongly recommend you keep an ABC fire extinguisher near your fuel.

Generators need to be placed **within** your designated barrio space, with a Carbon Dioxide fire extinguisher.

Generators must have a grounded earth spike attached to them (see the earthing requirements on page 27)

Some generators have multiple voltage outputs. These are usually three-phase generators. If the generator is able to output 400-415V, even if you're not using that voltage output, the ground spike must be inspected by the electrician who signs off on our permit checks. Failure to inform us in advance could result in a breach of regulations and may result in Nowhere being cancelled. Seriously.



Generators are **not permitted** in quiet sound areas (blue zone, see Sound section).

Questions to: Rich power@goingnowhere.org

Getting wired

We recommend you think about a structured wiring layout for your camp that can cope with the power and will not trip everyone up!

A good practice is to run a backbone of wiring around your camp using "CEE-form" or Caravan cabling, also known as BS4343 or CEE17, which is that blue wiring with round plugs. (See the photo of the generator panel above, and the photo below)



These are designed to be used outdoors and can cope with getting wet (IP44 to you). There are two sizes, the smaller carries 16 Amps which is 3,840W. Any higher than that and you will need the larger sizes. Here's an example of an electrical layout plan:

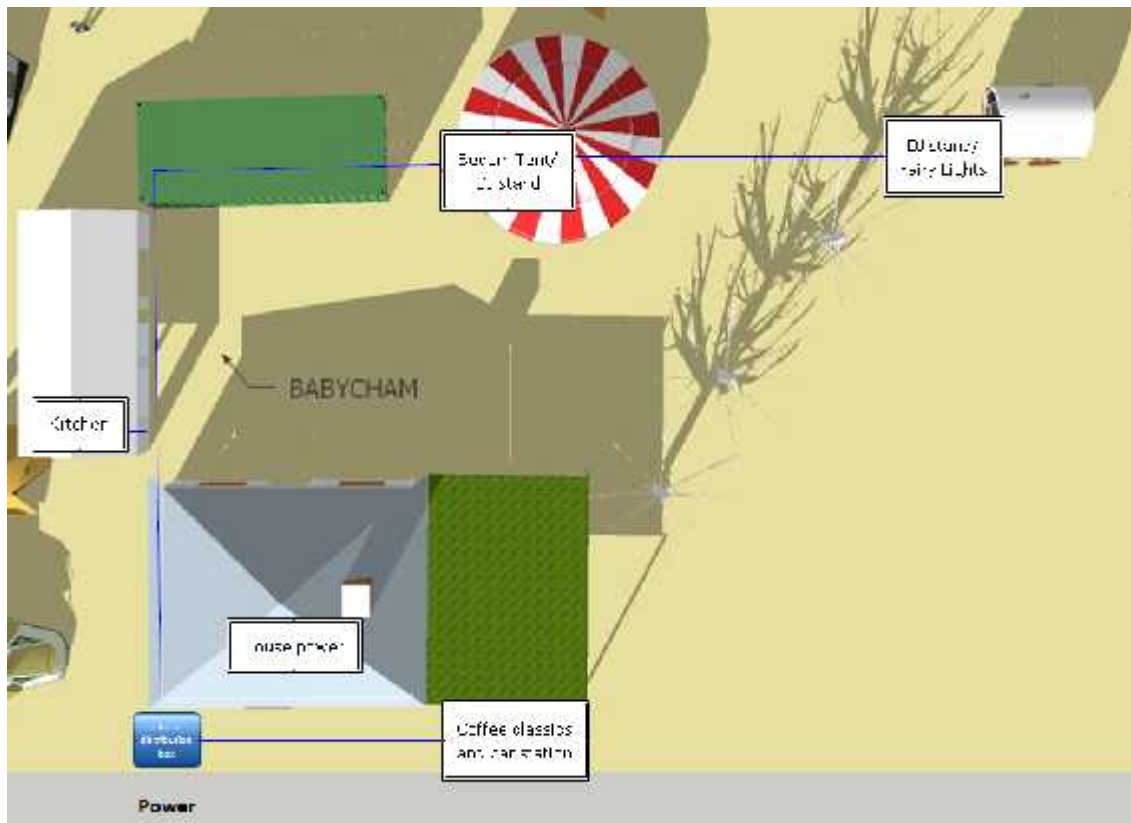


FIGURE 4: ELECTRICAL BACKBONE

The CEE-Form cabling can then be terminated in familiar domestic electrical block connectors.

Some tips on electricals:

- Keep everything except lengths of wire off the ground. This prevents people tripping over things and helps stops water ingress if it rains. Mount all power blocks and connectors on walls, or equivalents thereof. If in a tent, screw the power strip to a board then hang the board on a tent pole.
- Do not simply put power block connectors on surfaces, especially where drinks may be served, or food being prepared. Keep them on the walls.
- Bury all cables under the ground to stop people tripping over them or hang them overhead at least 3 metres in the air. Do not bury junctions or connectors.
- If two power wires need joining and they are not in a sheltered location, wrap them with a plastic bag UNLESS a transformer is involved.
- Incorporate a light switch on the wall to make it easy for people to turn the camp lights on or off, rather than scrabbling about under chairs looking for plugs.
- Domestic extension leads are 13A maximum, that's 3,120 Watts. 5A is only 1200W.
- NEVER run power through cables while they are coiled up – that includes domestic extensions on a reel. The coil will heat up and the wire may melt. Uncoil the wire. It may

look messy, but you will not catch fire!



FIGURE 5: COILED WIRE WILL HEAT UP UNDER LOAD AND MAY CATCH FIRE

- Have all block connectors in sheltered places from the rain.
- Use a circuit breaker at the power source which detects abnormal currents (a “Residual Current”-detector). This will trip if water gets into electrical connections:



FIGURE 6: RESIDUAL CURRENT DETECTOR ON CEE FORM CABLES

Sound systems



There's plenty on this subject, not to be repeated here, there's already a good page on the Nowhere website called "sound advice", see <https://www.goingnowhere.org/faq/#soundfaq>

Suffice to say that sound systems always cause problems at Nowhere. They are directional, meaning it matters greatly where the speakers are pointing. Invariably the choice is between pointing them at the centre of Nowhere, or in the opposite direction out into the wilderness. The wilderness is much the preferred option, which means you must lay out your sleeping area such that people's tents are not in the path of the sound.

Some other tips on sound and A/V equipment at Nowhere:

- It's hot: do not have kit lying in full sunshine whilst being switched on - always keep it in shade.
- It will get dirty :(
- Keep a van onsite in which to hide/lock expensive equipment or keep it dry if it rains.

The golden rules of DJs at Nowhere*

*not to be taken seriously.

- 1) If someone really wants to DJ, under no circumstances let them do it.
- 2) If nobody is dancing to your music, change the music, or preferably the DJ
- 3) There will always be a minimum of five hippies dancing. This is not because your music is any good, it is simply that if they stop dancing, they will fall over.
- 4) (related to (3)) It's OK to switch off the music and go to bed!
- 5) If nobody is dancing, turning the music up loud does NOT WORK! (see (2,4)).

Sound zones at Nowhere

When you register your Barrio at Nowhere, you will be asked which Zone you want your Barrio to be placed in. See the table below for a description of the zones and the noises that may be tolerated in those zones.

	Red Zone	Yellow Zone	Green Zone	Blue Zone
11am - Sunset	"a lá discoteque" level	Living room party level	Living room party level	Conversation level
Sunset - 4am	"a lá discoteque" level	Living room party level	Conversation level	No Sound
4am - Sunrise	Living room party level	Conversation level	No Sound	No Sound
Sunrise - 11am	after 7am: No Sound	No Sound	No Sound	No Sound

"a lá discoteque" level	This is the level of sound you hear at a club. There are no restriction on this level of sound. Always remember that above 95db hearing loss may occur. RED: For about 100m around the edge of these camps will be zone red, Art Cars hang out here
Living room party level	As if you were at a houseparty, with normal household speakers, cranking it up. If you are within 5m of the source you will need to raise you voice to talk. This is approx. 70db - 85db. YELLOW for about 50m around the edge of the camps and all places where Art Cars are allowed to drive.
Conversation level	If you are 5m away from a person you should be able to hold a conversation at normal conversation level (+- 55db - 70db) GREEN: no loud speakers, only (background) music (during the day) and generator sounds
No Sound	That means it's silent. Like most of the time in the BLUE zone: In these spaces, there is no noise above conversational level at any time, sound systems of any kind should not be used, and if your group has a generator , you should camp in a different zone.

Fire and Gas



Rather disappointingly for a “Burn” event, no solids can be burned at Nowhere. This is simply because the surrounding countryside is tinder-box dry scrub land, so anything where there are floating embers could cause the whole of Spain to catch fire.

No burning of wood, charcoal, grass, human sacrifices etc.

You can have barbeques and gas-flame ovens. You can also have flame poofers on art effects. The regulations for the use of flames in art or otherwise are not here but are dealt with under Art.

There is usually a fire show for people wanting to spin flaming poi, contact the performance lead on perform@goingnowhere.org

Fire extinguishers and signs pointing to them

So, fire extinguishers need to be inspected every two years. If you need your extinguisher checking, bring it to the Barrios Reception on Saturday afternoon. It costs €15 to have it inspected, you may pay for that in advance.

The most likely reason your extinguisher will fail is if it is more than 5 years old. Please check in advance.

You can also buy a new one at the time of inspection, that costs €40. If your fire extinguisher has failed the inspection, the €15 will be deducted from the cost of a new extinguisher.

You can buy a luminescent sign here:

https://www.amazon.es/dp/B07142TR64/ref=cm_sw_em_r_mt_dp_U_q9ulCbYTB0YC

Each Barrio **must** have at least one **6 kg ABC powder extinguisher**. Do not take them from the roads or elsewhere, buy one buy one that complies with regulations! Every Barrio needs to have extinguishers placed around the kitchen area (type ABC powder) and next to their generators (Co2). Each fire extinguisher box must have a luminescent sign to indicate its presence. **We will hold a Fire extinguisher inspection on Saturday afternoon, where you could pick up your previously purchased extinguishers or get an official revision on the ones you bought last year.**



Gasoline and gas bottles

All gasoline tanks and gas bottles must be adequately protected from the sun and far from all heat sources; all rubber components (hoses, connections) must be in good condition, far away from heat sources (sun, kitchen) and protected from accidental and inappropriate handling. A competent technician, from within the Nowhere Organization, will do a daily check of all fire installations and connections and sign a form with updated statements, available in case of need.

Gasoline must be stored at least 15m away from the generator and protected from the sun and any other heat source. Moreover, big tanks must be fenced to avoid accidental or inappropriate handling.

All gasoline tank and gas bottle must have the CE mark and be appropriate for this use

Tips for getting Butane and Propane gas

Getting hold of tanks of propane in Spain is difficult for foreigners. You need to have a residential address in Spain to buy a cylinder.

- If you're not from Spain, try and befriend a Spanish resident coming to the festival. You may also be able to buy an empty cylinder from someone else. Once you have a cylinder, you can take it to any garage and swap it for a full one without having to fill in a form.
- Cylinder attachments differ between countries, you may need to get an adaptor, see <https://gasproducts.co.uk/gaslow-euro-spanish-adaptor.html> for a UK one.
- You may consider bringing cylinders in from abroad but see the later notes on transporting cylinders.
- Your gas installation, whether for cooking or for art, will be inspected. Favourite reasons for failure are:
 - 1) Incorrect regulator (or none)
For cooking/butane, this needs to be 28 mbar for butane and 37mbar for propane.
It is mostly Butane which is sold in Spain.

2) Old pipes

The orange gas pipes all have dates on; they cannot be more than five years old and must conform to [ISO 10619-1:2017](#)

3) Non-propane pipes

e.g. a bit of old hose pipe – will be rejected

The Barrios reception will have some crimping tools and spare pipe, but please try and sort this out before coming to Nowhere.

Jubilee clips (or Worm Gear clamps) can be used for low pressure gas for use in stoves but not for flame effects, where o-rings must be used. Do not over-tighten jubilee clips.



FIGURE 7 JUBILEE CLIPS



FIGURE 8 PERSIHED PIPES OR OLD PIPES WILL FAIL INSPECTION

Handling gas cylinders

It is very difficult to puncture a cylinder. The danger lies with escaping gas building up in a confined and unventilated space, especially if there is an ignition source nearby.

All gas cylinders have pressure release valves which are designed to open and let gas out if the pressure gets too great. The pressure can increase in a cylinder due to variations in temperature, especially if they get hot by being left in the sunshine or in a car/van with the windows shut. As you can imagine, this is a likely occurrence in the Spanish desert! Therefore, all storage instructions talk about well-vented spaces, ideally outdoors.

Always have a cylinder upright: never have a cylinder lying down. If you are transporting it in a car, put the cylinder **upright** in the back seat, not behind the driver, and strap the seat-belt round the cylinder to stop it moving forwards. If it is lying down and the pressure release valve needs to open, it will expel liquid rather than gas!

Do not carry cylinders at the back of an enclosed van: always have some windows open. Carry cylinders in a trailer rather than a van, if you have the option.

Always secure cylinders in transport to stop them rolling about.

Of course – **DO NOT SMOKE** while driving with a cylinder in your vehicle!

<https://youtu.be/1uuvsdfWQB8>

Watch this video to see what happens if you transport gas cylinders loose in the back of a pickup truck!

<https://youtu.be/p7RNYw11XHM>

Emptying Gas Cylinders before storing them

You must empty cylinders at the end of the event prior to storage. Some basic rules here:

- Burn off excess gas using the appliance it was designed to work with – e.g. barbeque, gas rings
- Always put a note warning people that a ring is on and is hot (it may not be easy to see a flame in the daytime), tell them not to switch it off and that burning excess gas is in progress
- Do not simply let gas out of the bottle. Not only will there be a fire hazard, but the rapid depressurisation will cause the liquid in the cylinder to freeze and you will falsely believe that all the gas has come out.
- You are not creating a carbon footprint problem by burning the gas compared to releasing it unburned into the atmosphere! It is the same amount of carbon. In unburned gas form it cannot be broken down by plants.
- Always disconnect the appliance and regulator.
- If there is a valve, close it. (Not all cylinders have valves: it depends on the type of connector). If left open there is a chance that air may enter the cylinder and mix with the gas, forming an explosive combination.
- Do not store cylinders in a shipping container or other enclosed space. Contact the Barrios reception or Production for a separate storage area for cylinders.

Leave No Trace



There is plenty of advice in the Nowhere Survival Guide and on the Nowhere website about Leave No Trace, which is not going to be repeated here. The Leave No Trace items covered here refer to Barrio management rather than individuals.

Your Barrio's representative and plan for LNT

Each Barrio needs to have a leave-no-trace representative appointed. That individual's responsibility is as follows:

- 1) Create a plan as to how to get everything offsite and the land restored
- 2) Ensure there is waste management and recycling set up in the Barrio (especially the kitchen and Bar areas)
- 3) That everyone in the Barrio is inducted into the do's and don'ts of LNT: where the bins are; what goes in where; where to take trash etc.,
- 4) Have a rota or appoint someone to take the trash to the recycling station.
- 5) Organise a MOOP Sweep after the event.

Note that whilst the LNT lead in each Barrio needs to ensure that these things happen, we're not expecting them to have to do them personally! These tasks make ideal chores for sparkle-pony campmates who have failed to contribute much in other meaningful ways... ;)

Holes and soil displacement

There are no specific rules about how much digging can be done on site but suffice it to say that no Barrio should dig a hole and leave it open when they leave. This could cause an injury or accident, a vehicle to get stuck or have an accident, or an animal to injure itself later.

When digging a hole or using an auger, collect the excess soil in rubble sacks, aggregate bags (such as “Hippo Bags” in the UK) or IKEA blue bags, which are just about liftable when full of soil. Store them out of the way and put that soil back into the hole at the end of the week.

Barrio Trash and Recycling

Remember this is a leave no trace event!

Each Barrio should have separate bins for the following items:

- 1) General landfill trash
- 2) Cans, plastic, tetra cartons
- 3) Boxes, paper
- 4) Glass

The Barrio LNT lead needs to train their campmates to:

- Crush Cans completely before throwing away
- Flatten cardboard boxes
- Keep lids on all bins to reduce flies.
- Remove food remains from any recycling.
- Stop using empty drink cans as ashtrays!

The W&R zone

The W&R zone is the recycling station at Nowhere. Trash must be taken to the recycling station daily. This is important for two reasons:

- 1) Stopping the build-up of trash at your camp, and attracting flies (which spread disease and are generally bloody annoying)
- 2) Allowing the authorities to remove the trash as it is generated throughout the week, rather than dealing with an insurmountable mountain at the end of the week.

The W&R zone needs volunteers, especially at the end of the week! LNT lead please sign people up!

Planning your trash bag collection



Remember – black bags from supermarkets in Spain are tiny and crap! Bring your own bags or order online in advance.

When planning the waste/recycling bin site in your Barrio, we recommend using clear bin bags for recycling cardboard/cans/plastic, and black for landfill trash. Remember that the bags themselves are not recyclable unless they are going in the yellow bin; so, the cans/plastic/cardboard need to be emptied out of the bags into the dumpsters. Try and re-use the clear bags.

For glass, do not use any bags: keep bottles in cardboard boxes (or some plastic crates will be available) for the following reasons:

- 1) Bags split and the glass breaks which is difficult to collect up, and a hazard for bare-foot hippies!
- 2) When you get to the recycle station, they must be posted through a narrow hole anyway. If you have put them in bags, you'll just have to open them up again!
- 3) If in bags, you end up with icky liquids which leak out onto your feet.
- 4) After using a bottle, rinse it out otherwise flies will be attracted. You can use old washing up water for this.

Empty any residual wine/beer into your liquids disposal container and let the bottles/cans dry out, so that when they go to the container they don't leak everywhere.

The colours of the bins are as follows:

Green dumpsters: General landfill trash.



Blue dumpsters: Paper and cardboard (but not cardboard tetra-pak containers used for drinks and broth, these go in the yellow): These bins might be all blue or grey with a strip of blue and they usually say “solo papel y carton plegado” (only paper and folded cardboard).



Green round bins with a small opening (note: *not* the square green bins, those are for garbage): Glass containers (but remember, no windows, glass chandeliers, etc.). These often feature a curious drawing of a smiling bottle gathering together a variety of smaller bottles and accompanied by the words “vidrio si, gracias” (glass yes, thank you). Sometimes these round bins may have commissioned artwork covering the entire surface.



Yellow dumpsters: tins cans, tetra-brik cartons, and plastic (bags, bottles, etc.). This seems to be the most confusing of the bins, as the yellow ones receive the most inappropriate material, like CDs etc.

Orange bins: You won't see these as much but they're for recycling used cooking oil and may be marked “reciclado de aceite usado de cocina”. Many specifically explain to fill a plastic bottle with the oil and deposit the bottle in the orange bin. Pouring used cooking oil down the drain can cause a series of problems including clogging pipes while recycled oil can be used for things like making soap or even as biodiesel for sustainable transportation.



Organic Waste

This year there will be some compost pits, (at the W&R zone) but not as close to camps as in previous years. Organic waste should be collected either in compostable plastic bags or reusable compost buckets. You may need a trolley or something similar to transport your organic waste to the compost pits.

DO NOT PUT NON-COMPOSTABLE PLASTIC BAGS IN THE COMPOST HOLES!

Really pay attention to proper compost disposal. We do not want to leave plastic in the ground that will take 100's of years to disappear, AND we want to minimise flies.

Compost heroes: Make sure organic kitchen residues are being disposed of correctly (see the “what can be composted” poster) and check that there is no plastic or cutlery mixed in.

Request for help: We need volunteers to help with this. Please consider signing up.

MOOP Sweep

Matter out of Place (MOOP) – generally refers to litter or items left where they shouldn't be. It is sensible to do a MOOP sweep daily during the event, and definitely before you leave.

When your camp is packed away and the ground you occupied is cleared, gather your campmates to perform a MOOP sweep. This is where lines of happy (but probably tired) camp mates sweep across the camp looking for ANY object which is clearly out of place.

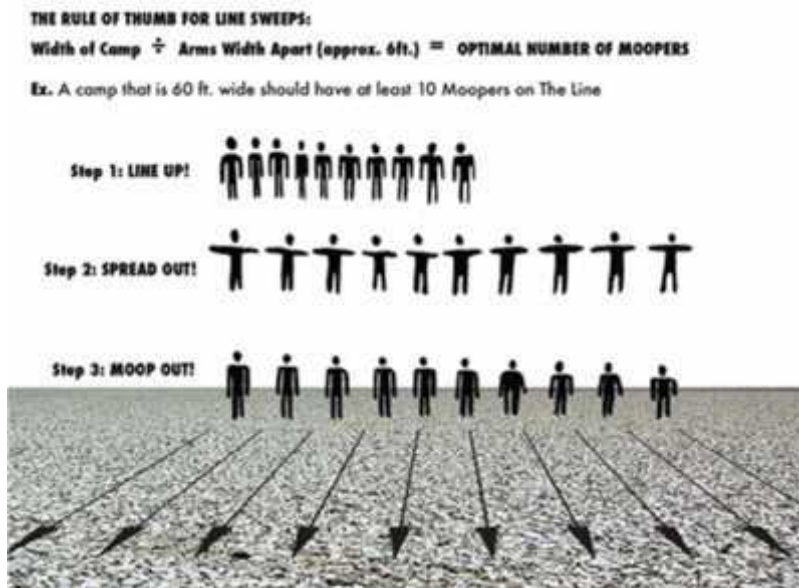


FIGURE 8 MOOP SWEEP

Wood, metal, electrical appliances, large items.

Unfortunately, we have not been able to get the local authorities to be able to cater for any of these. These must go into a skip, which you will be charged for.

Any Barrios which have large structures which have become damaged or surplus to requirements and cannot fit into a domestic rubbish sack, will have to be thrown into a skip. There are NO skips at Nowhere for public use.

If you know that you are likely to be disposing of large items, Nowhere can help you organise a skip for around €200. You can share one with another Barrio or get your own ... please contact the Barrios lead.

Health and Safety



We would like each Barrio to have nominated a “Wellbeing” lead.

The Wellbeing lead then needs to ensure that the following things happen in their Barrio:

- Collect information about any camp members with any medical conditions that may be relevant (e.g. Epilepsy, Diabetes). Such information needs to be treated with discretion.
- To ensure there is a first aid station in the camp, and a kitted out first aid box
- Ideally, ensure that there are people who have done first aid training identified within the camp
- To oversee the construction of a hand wash station
- To ensure all possible measures are taken to deter flies in the camp
- Inform all camp members about the location and services of Welfare Enough, Malfare, the locations of the first aid kit, and how to use the hand wash station.
- To ensure that some people from the camp sign up for volunteer shifts at Welfare enough and Malfare!
- To ensure a consent lead is appointed in the Barrio
- To participate in the Barrio orientation session to welcome everyone.

We are not going to repeat what is said in the survival guide, so in this section are some tips on Barrio related items:

Lifting, building essentials



FIGURE 9: HOT DUDES ARE ESSENTIAL IN CONSTRUCTION, HOWEVER DO NOT USE A LADDER LIKE THIS!

Correct lifting sounds dull but, if you damage your back at the start of the festival, imagine how little fun the rest of it is going to be! See:

<https://www.nhs.uk/livewell/workplacehealth/pages/safe-lifting-tips.aspx>

In the same vein, safe ladder use:

<http://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/indg455.pdf>

Working and heat

During setup and strike, the best times of the day are between 7:00 and 12:00 and then 16:00 to 20:00. We recommend buying an inexpensive thermometer to hang up in the shade to monitor the general temperature. There can be heat waves at Nowhere where the temperature climbs into the thirties, in which case the working hours become shorter. It is very easy to suffer heat exhaustion, in which case it's best to lie down in the shade and drink cool liquids. We would recommend avoiding alcohol as this may dehydrate you further. You may well lose a day in setup due to the weather.

Sensible attire while working

Particularly during setup and strike, wear footwear in which your foot will survive if a power tool is dropped on it containing a pointy drill bit! Flip-flops and bare feet are probably a bad idea.

It will be hot, so you may be tempted to wear as few clothes as possible, but we would recommend keeping at least shorts, hat and a T-shirt on to avoid sunburn or burning yourself while welding, producing sparks or testing flame effects. Also, avoid loose clothing with strands and accessories hanging off it, and long hair must be tied out of the way.



FIGURE 10: WHAT COULD POSSIBLY GO WRONG?



FIGURE 11: Q: WHAT IS WRONG HERE?
A: HAIR NOT TIED BACK.

Avoiding plague



FIGURE 12: SUPER BARRIO BROTHERS 2013

Nowhere experienced a bad epidemic of dysentery one year. This placed a burden on the local health authorities and forced a review of health matters on site. We are keen to prevent this recurring.

Dysentery in all forms is caused by insanitary conditions where germs are transmitted via the faecal-oral route (shit-to-mouth). This results from unclean hands after going to the toilet, or by

flies. It is thus important to impress on all camp mates to repeatedly wash their hands, and to eliminate flies.

Hand wash stations

Effective washing hands is best done by washing with antibacterial soap thoroughly for 30 seconds at hand-wash stations. We also recommend nail brushes to get dirt out from finger nails. We require each Barrio to have a hand-wash station set up near the kitchen for people to use, especially when handling food.

Antibacterial hand wash containers should also be put around the camp, especially in kitchens and bars. It is not as effective as a thorough hand wash under running water but is more convenient.

Instructions on how make a station are here:

<https://youtu.be/SMa50Ta3PnU>

In terms of site planning, kitchens should always be sited away from toilets.

Please ensure design for inclusion: **a visitor to your barrio may need to use your station.** Bear in mind thus:

- A wheelchair user cannot operate a foot-pump! Have an electric option if possible.
- The station needs to have plenty of clearance for access
- Height of bowl surface ideally 80cm, possible wheelchair access underneath but not too tall either!
- Clearly signposted

Deterring flies

Flies are attracted especially by sugary foods, meat, and faeces.

Keep all (opened) food in sealed containers. Do not allow dirty dishes to accumulate; ensure that all dishes are washed straight away. Left over beverages should be emptied into a general slop container, which should be kept covered up to reduce flies. Generally, keep a tidy kitchen with no food left lying about.

- All bins should have lids (except paper/card)
- Hang fly paper everywhere in the kitchen and replace regularly.
- Consider hanging up a bug-zapper in the kitchen
- Try to have entrances to food areas though barriers which go some way to deterring flies, e.g. plastic curtains, bead curtains etc.
- Always keep meat in cool boxes. Leftover meat needs to be disposed of into bins or containers as quickly as possible. Do not leave it sitting out.
- Generally, empty the slop containers regularly (see Waste water/liquids under the Water section) and do not allow trash to build up.
- When bins are full – do not overfill them, and tie them up securely to prevent flies getting in. If bags split, double-bag them.

Consent

Consent is of great importance at Nowhere. There is a great deal in the Survival Guide concerning consent which is not going to be repeated here, however we require that each Barrio appoints a Consent Lead who will

- liaise with the Nowhere Consent **Prevention** Lead (Aleta) for educative improvements they would like to get support.
- liaise with the Nowhere Consent **Response** Lead for facts happening on site management
- Ensure that everyone in the camp knows and understands issues surrounding consent
- **Ensure that everyone knows that there is Consent Violation Reporting Box with forms in 5 languages (English, French, Spanish, German and Dutch) at Welfare Enough, in which they can let us know about their need for a special care The box is opened at 4pm and we will make sure to take care of language and gender preferences (or fix a later appointment with appropriate settings)**
- **A Safe Space (for appropriate listening) opens every day from 5pm to 6pm.**
- Participates in the Barrio orientation session to welcome everyone.

For more information, email: nowherebed@gmail.com .

Shit Ninjas

Each Barrio must appoint one or more (according to number of campmates in the Barrio) to take responsibility for a porta-potty or other such toilet. This does not mean that they must clean out a porta-potty every day, but rather to ensure that there is enough toilet roll and hand sanitiser, and that the toilets are serviceable. The toilet paper and hand sanitiser are provided by Nowhere. Any issues with the toilets need to be reported to NoInfo.

Again, the Shit Ninja does not have to actually *do* the work but ensures that the rest of the camp does it.

First aid box

We encourage everyone in their camps to look after each other, keep an eye on each other especially in respect of over-indulgence and dehydration.

We also encourage each camp to have a fully kitted out first aid box screwed to a wall or somewhere where it cannot be moved, and a first-aid station. We want camps to treat dust in eyes and cuts and bruises at Camp and not centrally.

<https://www.tripsavvy.com/first-aid-checklist-for-camping-498450>

Welfare Enough and Malfare

If anyone is not feeling very well, there are two levels of service available at Nowhere:

- 1) Welfare Enough
- 2) Malfare

Welfare Enough is an area which is available for people who are not feeling very well but not requiring medical treatment. If the heat and noise is getting too much, or you have over-indulged and need some quiet space and lie down, this is the place for you. (Note: Welfare Enough is not a drop-in centre so if someone needs to go there, please do not bring the rest of your camp with you).

If you are uncertain whether you need medical treatment then go to Welfare Enough *anyway*, and they may decide to direct you onto Malfare.

Malfare is where you can get medical help. If there have been any injuries, if someone has an upset stomach or is unconscious, this is the place to take them to. They have the Red Cross (Cruz Roja) in attendance, who are paid on-site qualified medical personnel.

The Red Cross has asked people to try and take care of themselves. Last year they saw over 1000 people for issues such as dust in their eyes, minor cuts, or wounds that needed stitches.

The Malfare tent will have self-service supplies for anyone wishing to use these (although you should bring your own supplies of eye cleaning salines, plasters, antiseptic wipes, bandages and rehydration things).

If you speak Spanish, they are always looking for translators: contact malfare@goingnowhere.org

Bring out your dead

It is vital that anyone who is unwell, especially through unexplained stomach upsets, needs to go to seek help as quickly as possible. This is to ensure that they do not pass on any bug which they may have contracted.

Nowhere has some off-site facilities which may be used for this purpose.

In (the unlikely) case of an emergency



- Emergency warning: When you hear a big horn / air raid siren sounding, please gather your Barrio and head to the meeting point (Near Malfare and MON). Wake people up, stop them having sex - NO EXCEPTIONS!
- In the case of storm/fire/evacuation/police/zombies/etc... look for Nomads and Malfare, go to NoInfo or anyone with a radio.
- Remember! We have a fire drill on Monday morning. When you hear the warning head to the meeting point (Near Malfare and MON). Please, please, please. Our permit is not signed until this happens and depends on the result of this. Help us not f*** up Nowhere!!

SAFETY AND EMERGENCY PLAN

A list of all Barrio's participants and their phone numbers must be made available, in case of Emergency, to the Local Authorities. (Imagine the case of a wildfire and a squad going around looking for missing persons, we'll be asked by Authorities to provide the list of people on site, so they know who they'd be looking for).

At the beginning of the event there will be a fire drill, and all participants will be asked to rendezvous at the Meeting Point, clearly indicated on the placement map, and walk to the evacuation point, [??? to be advised???]. This procedure, although kind of bizarre to our eyes, is a crucial part of our permit!! Please don't fuck it up by being the sleeping or complaining one who doesn't move from the tent. **When you hear the siren, walk to the Meeting Point**, and if you don't hear it and someone tells you to **walk to the Meeting**

Point...just walk to the effing Meeting Point.... or we'll find you later and ask you to leave site and no, we are not kidding on this one.

Be prepared:

1. Make a first aid kit, which includes eye drops, anti-diarrhoea, and diphenhydramine (for Black Fly Bites).
2. Make a copy of your ID and your EHIC/EU (or other) medical card, put this in a zip-lock bag and give to a camp lead or inside of your tent – easy to find.
3. Tell your loved ones the below information.
4. Light natural pathways through your barrio so people know where to walk (and where not to walk).
5. Light up and/or Tape Flag tent guy-ropes!

If something happens while onsite:

1. Figure out if you or a friend can work it out. If not...
2. Stop by Malfare and let's see what we can do! We have a few supplies and the Red Cross can help as well.
3. Need help that can't be done onsite?

Tell your friend to grab that ID and EU card from your tent

- We have maps to the hospital if your friend can drive
- The Red Cross can also transport you to the hospital if required.

d) When you are all fixed up and ready to come back call us at Malfare, and we will find a friend to get you from the hospital.

If something happens in the default world and someone needs to find you, please ensure they know the below info:

- Your first and last name
- Your playa name (if you have one)
- Who you came with
- What camp/barrio you are with
- A physical description

With this information they can call Malfare, and/or send an email to emergency@goingnowhere.org

Participation in the rest of Nowhere

As well as building your Barrio, we encourage everyone to get involved in the rest of Nowhere. For camp members who are unable to help much during setup or strike, we encourage them to assuage their guilt by visiting the Production Office or NoInfo and signing up for some volunteer work.

You may do this by creating a profile on the Volunteer Management System (VMS) in advance, and sign up to volunteer, e.g. as Greeters, Nomads, Perimeter or at Gate, especially if you speak Spanish. Remind your crew that this is a participatory event!

We shall be monitoring the source of volunteers at Nowhere, so your representation as a participatory Barrio will be measured from that.

NO-INFO

Anyone who has not signed up pre-event can go to NoInfo for on-site volunteering. Try to sign up pre-event, as it helps a LOT to have the shifts covered pre-event.

You can also check at NoInfo for any additional information e.g. location of compost pits, waste disposal points etc., and you can also come to NoInfo to give other information!

Thanks for making NOWHERE an awesome event

