



Short Courses, Outreach & Summer Programmes Policy

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Any offer of a place made to you by Emil Dale Academy (“EDA”) is on the basis that in accepting such an offer you agree to the following terms and conditions, which form part of the contract between you and Emil Dale Academy.

1. Scope

1. These Terms apply to all short courses, outreach and summer programmes delivered by Emil Dale Academy. They do not apply to FE, HE or validated degree provision.
2. Programme-specific rules may also apply and will be stated on the relevant course page or joining information, or within the acceptance email sent by the Admissions team at EDA (admissions@emildale.co.uk).
3. On our site we may use “course”, “short course”, “camp”, “workshop”, “class series” or similar – all such references should be read as a Programme.
4. Single-session tasters/drop-ins are not a Programme unless the relevant booking page expressly states that these Terms apply.

2. Nature of Programmes and Admissions

1. Programmes are non-award short courses or outreach sessions delivered by Emil Dale Academy.
2. Admission is first-come, first-served and subject to availability. Late applications may be accepted at the discretion of Emil Dale Academy.
3. Applications must be honest and open. In order for EDA to offer a service to the student that provides a positive and meaningful experience, EDA must have all the information upfront about a student’s needs including accessibility and required adjustments for any additional needs.
4. Where, having considered the information provided and any reasonable adjustments that may be available, Emil Dale determines that it cannot safely or reasonably meet a participant’s needs, Emil Dale may decline or cancel the booking. Where Emil Dale cancels a booking on this basis, fees paid for the undelivered Programme will be refunded.
5. Providing untrue or misleading information may lead to cancellation without refund of fees or costs.
6. The contract between Emil Dale and the participant (or their parent/guardian where applicable) is formed when Emil Dale issues booking confirmation. For paid Programmes, confirmation may be conditional upon receipt of any required fee or deposit.
7. Bookings are non-transferable (not to another course or participant) unless the course page says otherwise.
8. Where courses specify age/level guidance, EDA may request evidence (e.g., short demonstration or footage) to place the participant safely.
9. EDA is not eligible for visa or sponsorship to be in the UK, and as such if a participant requires this for entry to the country, EDA cannot provide this and it must be sought through other means.

3. Fees and Payment

1. Fees are payable as stated on the relevant course page and must be paid in GBP, inclusive of VAT where applicable.
2. Some Programmes require a deposit to secure a place (amount stated on the Programme page/booking). Unless required by law, deposits are non-refundable after the 14-day statutory cancellation period and are credited against the balance.
3. Bank/currency charges are borne by the payer.

4. Unless otherwise stated on the course page, fees are payable at booking; where a balance is allowed it must be paid according to the milestone/ deadline set out in your confirmation email and/or on the website.
5. For termly short courses, fees are due before the first class. Where enrolment automatically continues into the following term, notice to withdraw must be provided in writing no later than the first day of the preceding term. Where the required notice is not provided, the following term's fees will remain payable.
6. Your fee generally covers the scheduled contact time for the advertised course; any additional services (e.g., extra retakes or optional add-ons) may incur separate charges where stated.
7. Discounts (e.g., sibling, early-bird) apply only where advertised and must be claimed at booking. They are not applied retrospectively, are not transferable, and cannot be combined unless stated.

4. Cancellations and Refunds

1. You have a statutory right to cancel your booking within 14 days of acceptance, subject to the provisions set out in Section 17 (Cancellation Rights). After this statutory cancellation period has expired, all fees paid or payable are non-refundable, except where required by law or where Emil Dale cancels the Programme or an element of it as set out below.

4.1 Participant Cancellation or Non-Attendance

1. Once the statutory cancellation period has expired, no refund or credit will be provided where a participant cancels, withdraws from, or is unable to attend all or part of a Programme, except in the limited circumstances set out in Section 4.2 or where otherwise required by law.
2. This includes, but is not limited to, absence arising from:
 - a. illness or injury;
 - b. medical appointments or treatment;
 - c. changes in personal, family, work or educational circumstances;
 - d. transport or travel disruption;
 - e. holidays or other commitments; or
 - f. a decision not to attend or continue with the Programme.
3. This applies regardless of whether notice is given in advance and regardless of whether supporting or medical evidence is provided.

4.2 Places Filled Following Cancellation

1. Where a participant gives sufficient notice that they will no longer be attending, Emil Dale may, at its sole discretion, attempt to offer the place to another participant where there is a waiting list or other demand for the Programme.
2. If Emil Dale is able to fill the vacated place with another paying participant, Emil Dale may, at its discretion, agree to refund some or all of the fees paid by the original participant.
3. There is no guarantee that Emil Dale will be able to fill a place, and Emil Dale is under no obligation to advertise, remarket or otherwise seek a replacement participant. The availability or existence of a waiting list does not itself create an entitlement to a refund.
4. Any refund under this clause is entirely discretionary and will depend on the circumstances, including the notice provided, whether the place has actually been filled and whether Emil Dale has incurred costs in connection with the booking.
5. Bookings remain non-transferable. Participants may not independently transfer or sell their place to another person unless Emil Dale has expressly agreed to this in writing.

6. If circumstances outside Emil Dale's control prevent delivery in the originally advertised format or location, Emil Dale may make reasonable alternative arrangements in accordance with Section 15, including moving delivery online, rescheduling or using an alternative venue. Where a reasonable alternative is provided and the Programme continues to be delivered, participants will not normally be entitled to a refund solely because the method, date or location of delivery has changed.
7. We may cancel where:
 - a. insufficient numbers make the course non-viable;
 - b. teaching staff are unavailable and no suitable alternative is available;
 - c. Events Outside Our Control (see Section 15) prevent delivery; or
 - d. legal/government requirements (including public-health measures) require cancellation.
8. You will be notified as soon as possible.
9. If we cancel (or partially cancel) a Programme, we will refund fees paid for the cancelled element.
10. Where cancellation is due to Events Outside Our Control, Section 15 applies first: we may offer reasonable alternatives (e.g., rescheduling or online delivery). If, after those steps, sessions are cancelled or not delivered, we will refund the undelivered portion.
11. We are not liable for associated costs (e.g., travel, accommodation).

5. Programme Changes

1. Where Emil Dale makes a material change which significantly alters the nature of the Programme originally booked, and a reasonable alternative cannot be provided, affected participants may be offered the option to withdraw and receive a refund of fees paid for any undelivered element. Minor or reasonable changes to staffing, timetabling, content, venue or delivery arrangements will not ordinarily give rise to an entitlement to withdraw or receive a refund.
2. We will use reasonable endeavours to deliver your programme as described for the academic year in which you begin. We may make reasonable changes where this will deliver a better quality educational experience or is otherwise necessary.
3. Changes may relate to:
 - a. content and syllabus
 - b. timetable, location or number of classes
 - c. timing, content or method of delivery of study, services or facilities
 - d. examination or assessment processes
4. Examples of when changes may be needed include:
 - a. long-term leave or departure of key staff
 - b. where a module or programme is not financially or operationally viable
 - c. changes to funding we receive or to external requirements
 - d. improving the student experience or efficiency
 - e. programme restructure
5. We will aim to keep changes to the minimum necessary and will notify affected participants in advance where reasonably practicable. Any entitlement to withdraw or receive a refund following a Programme change will be determined in accordance with clause 5.1 above.
6. Note: programme viability issues such as insufficient uptake are handled under this Changes section, not as Events Outside Our Control.

6. Attendance and Conduct

1. Punctuality is required; late arrivals may be refused entry and no refund is due.
2. Participants (and parents/guardians) must follow the Code of Conduct; serious or repeated breaches (including bullying, abuse of staff/others, or damage to property) may result in removal without refund.
3. Participants must behave in a civil, respectful manner and follow staff instructions.
4. Zero-tolerance for abusive or anti-social conduct. Abusive, threatening, discriminatory or anti-social behaviour by participants or accompanying adults (including parents/guardians) toward staff, students, visitors or other customers – on site, during activities off site, or online (including social media) – is not tolerated. We may refuse entry, remove the person(s), end the booking for the Programme, and/or prohibit future attendance.
5. No refund is due where removal is for conduct.
6. Mobile phones and recording. Mobile phones and personal recording devices must not be used in changing rooms or teaching spaces. Filming or photography by participants/parents is only allowed where EDA has given express permission for that session or event and any conditions we set are followed.
7. Parents/guardians/carers are not permitted to observe classes. Observation of classes and attendance at sharings are only at EDA's discretion.
8. EDA may refuse admission or remove a participant for safety, non-payment, or Code of Conduct breaches; no refund is due
9. Online conduct (including social media). Posts or messages relating to EDA activities must be respectful and must not bully, harass, or disclose personal information about others.
10. Breach may lead to action such as dismissal, non-refund of fees and barring from future events.

7. External Events (not conducted at EDA-managed premises)

1. Where EDA conducts programmes at external venues, these terms and conditions still apply.
2. However, participants must also abide by and consider any health and safety, safeguarding, policies and procedures required or relating to the venue of the programme.

8. Health, Safety and Safeguarding

1. EDA is committed to providing a safe environment for children and vulnerable adults. The welfare of the child is paramount.
2. All children and vulnerable adults – regardless of age, disability, gender, race, sexual orientation or identity, or religious belief – have the right to equal protection from harm.
3. Participants and accompanying adults must comply with safeguarding measures. Please report any safeguarding concern to staff on duty or the programme manager without delay.
4. Smoking is not permitted on site.
5. Follow any Fire Evacuation or Lock-In instructions given by staff.
6. EDA has a duty of care and is committed to safeguarding children and vulnerable adults; concerns should be reported to staff on duty or the course manager.
7. Participants (and parents/guardians) must inform EDA about any relevant health conditions and reasonable adjustments needed before attendance so we can make reasonable adjustments and support safe participation.
8. Performing Arts training may involve appropriate physical contact for correction, partnering, or safety. By attending, participants consent to such contact conducted professionally and proportionately.
9. If participants attend with a pre-existing injury/condition, they do so at their own risk. Participants should declare these in advance, in order for adjustments to be considered.

10. EDA will ensure to follow the Health and Safety rules of the venue that the Outreach event is taking place at.
11. If a venue is external to the EDA studios, EDA recommends that attendees research the venue's Health and Safety policies to answer any queries that they may have. If the attendee is still unsure of anything following this, they are welcome to contact the office by emailing admissions@emildale.co.uk.
12. *Please note that all external venues are hired by EDA and, therefore, EDA may not be aware of all specific accessibility options. Participants with additional access requirements should notify Emil Dale as early as possible. Where a Programme takes place at an external venue, Emil Dale may liaise with the venue and/or ask the participant to contact the venue directly regarding specific access arrangements.
13. If the venue is internal to EDA, EDA recommends that attendees research the EDA Health and Safety Policy to answer any queries that they may have. If the attendee is still unsure of anything following this, they are welcome to contact the office by emailing admissions@emildale.co.uk.

8.1 Emergency Procedures

1. Within this policy, an emergency incident can be defined as:
 - a. An event leading to fatality, serious injury, or circumstances in which a participant might be at serious physical or emotional risk;
 - b. A serious life-threatening illness, or an illness threatening serious physical or mental consequences;
 - c. Any relevant situation where negative press/media coverage or a legal case may result.
2. In all of the above cases, the below "Outreach Incident Management Plan" will come into action:
 - a. The most senior member of EDA staff present will take charge until relieved by any necessary emergency services. If this person is incapacitated, then this role will need to be taken by another staff member or freelancer. This person will henceforth be referred to as the OL (outreach leader).
 - b. Where safe to do so, the OL will take the fastest (safe) route to the person(s) in need of help.
 - c. The OL will assess the severity of the incident and decide whether to call emergency services. Meanwhile the OL will have designated another staff member or freelancer to contact the participant's emergency contact to inform them of the incident and, where appropriate, of any arrangements being made for medical treatment or transfer to hospital. Emergency medical assistance will not be delayed where an emergency contact cannot immediately be reached.
 - d. The OL will remain with the incapacitated party if safe to do so and will task another staff member or freelancer to inform a member of the venue's staff (if at a venue external to EDA) to follow their Health and Safety policies.
3. If there is an event where an evacuation needs to take place at a venue external to EDA, the OL will be responsible for registering attendees at the appointed evacuation meeting point.
4. If there is an event where an evacuation needs to take place at EDA, the OL and other EDA staff members will be responsible in safely evacuating and registering the attendees.
5. If necessary, the OL will instruct staff members and freelancers if calls need to be made to the attendees' emergency contacts to collect them from the venue of the event.

9. Policies and Procedures

1. Participants agree to comply with Emil Dale Academy policies, available at www.emildale.co.uk/emil-dale-policies
2. EDA may add to, delete or make reasonable changes to the Policies and Procedures where this will assist in the proper delivery of education.
3. Changes are usually made to:
 - a. review and update documents so they remain fit for purpose
 - b. reflect legal or regulatory changes, funding or finance changes, or government requirements or guidance
 - c. incorporate sector guidance or good practice

- d. act on student feedback
 - e. improve clarity or consistency
- 4. Changes will normally take effect at the start of the next academic year. They may be introduced during the year where this is required by law, is in students' interests, or in other exceptional circumstances.
- 5. EDA will take reasonable steps to minimise disruption, for example by giving notice before changes take effect or phasing them in where appropriate.
- 6. Updated Policies and Procedures will be published on EDA's website and may also be notified by other means.

10. Participants Under 18

- 1. Where a participant is under 18, the contracting party is the parent or guardian.
- 2. If a participant turns 18 during a programme cycle, the original booking contract remains in force and, from the 18th birthday, the participant is deemed to accede to and be bound by these Terms in addition to the contracting parent/carer. The parent/carer remains the fee payer and is jointly and severally liable with the participant for any charges due under the booking. Existing consents (e.g., medical/emergency, image use, communications) continue until changed by the now-adult participant, who may update or withdraw consent at any time.
- 3. Parents/carers agree to drop-off/collection arrangements set by the programme and to ensure the participant can be released from supervision safely at the end of sessions.

11. Data Protection

- 1. Personal data is handled in accordance with Emil Dale Academy's Privacy Policy.
- 2. Limited contact may be made about other EDA courses/events.
- 3. You may opt out of marketing at any time.
- 4. Anonymised post-course evaluation may be requested.

11.1 Data collection

- 1. EDA processes personal information taken from:
 - a. Your application,
 - b. Referees or other third parties supporting your application,
 - c. Information and documentation you provide in support of your application, and
 - d. Information collected or created during your time with us such as:
 - i. your photograph,
 - ii. correspondence,
 - iii. feedback and other comments,
 - iv. complaints,
 - v. enquiries, and
 - vi. information you are required to provide such as:
 - 1. special requirements,
 - 2. health or diversity information, and
 - 3. marketing preferences.
- 2. We use this information to:
 - a. To verify your identity,
 - b. Maintain contact with you and your emergency contact (by post, email and phone),

- c. Offer additional related services and information,
 - d. Monitor and enforce the conditions of our agreement with you,
 - e. To support disciplinary, complaint, and quality assurance processes and arrangements,
 - f. To fulfil our legal obligations,
 - g. For internal and external auditing purposes, and
 - h. To report on our activities and monitor diversity (this will be in an anonymised form).
3. We will also store the details of the emergency contacts you have provided in case we need to contact them.
 4. Personal data is stored and processed using appropriate systems and organisational and technical security measures. Further information about how Emil Dale collects, uses, stores and protects personal information is contained in our Privacy Notice and Information Handling Policy.

12. Outreach and Engagement Staffing

1. EDA ensure that all Outreach and Engagement staff and freelancers are known members to the academy. In most cases, this means that they will have taught at EDA within the last 3 academic years. EDA also engage some students and graduates on a freelancer basis to support the running of the day(s). All staff and freelancers on an Outreach Day act as representatives of the academy and adopt the behaviour identified in the Staff Code of Conduct or Freelancer Code of Conduct (dependent on employment status) whether the visit takes place within normal hours or outside hours.
2. In order to teach at EDA, and therefore potentially work at an EDA outreach event, staff members and freelancers will have passed through necessary safety checks.

12.1 Relationships between staff/freelancers and attendees

1. EDA recognises that, in order to push and develop students, an appropriate, supportive professional relationship between an outreach attendee and staff member/freelancer is a key tool. To truly benefit from their time with EDA, attendees must trust staff/freelancer members, and feel comfortable and confident. EDA believes that every attendee should experience equality of treatment, and that no attendee should feel prejudice of treatment during their time.
2. With that being said, boundaries must be set between staff members/freelancers and attendees and must be respected by staff/freelancer members. A personal relationship of an intimate nature between a staff member/freelancer or attendee can be perceived to create a risk of favouritism or abuse of authority. It can also undermine the relationship of trust and confidence which is intrinsic to staff, freelancer and attendee interactions during the day.
3. All representatives of EDA are in a position of trust. Staff members/freelancers are under a duty to act with integrity and not place themselves in a position of actual or apparent conflict.
4. Where attendees approach staff members/freelancers via inappropriate means, such as social media or personal emails, the staff member/freelancer should ignore the message, and report it to either the senior manager in attendance to the Outreach event, or to their Line Manager or relevant Head of Department (employment status dependent).
5. Should an attendee receive an inappropriate message from an EDA staff member/freelancer who was present at their Outreach event, they should immediately email accounts@emildale.co.uk. In both circumstances, as much detail should be provided regarding the nature of communication and evidence such as screenshots will also be useful in case the situation needs to be investigated further.
6. It is the responsibility of any staff member/freelancer to report any pre-existing personal relationship with an attendee at the first possible moment the staff member/freelancer realises the attendee has either applied or attended an outreach event. As the declaration will contain sensitive information it will be stored securely and

managed in compliance with data protection legislation. Declarations will be treated respectfully, sensitively and confidentially. This includes relationships where the parties may not be publicly open in regard to their sexual orientation or gender identity.

7. In order to maintain an appropriate and physical distance from attendees, to reduce the risk of misconduct, abuse of power or a conflict of interest, staff members/freelancers should:
 - a. Maintain an appropriate physical and emotional distance and perform duties without favour towards individual attendees.
 - b. Communicate with attendees in a professional manner at all times, using language that does not include the use of swearing, sexualisation, racial and cultural appropriation, ethnocentrism, political partisanship, religion-based discrimination, ableism and/or sexism. Do not share any personal contact address, such as mobile phone numbers or email addresses. Only shared-inbox EDA email addresses should be shared.

13. Photography and Filming

1. EDA may capture images and short video for programme records and promotional use. We will use minimal identifying information and process images in line with our Privacy Notice.
2. Participants (or the parent/guardian for under-18s) may opt out of promotional image/video use at any time by emailing admissions@emildale.co.uk with the participant's full name, programme, dates attended and booking reference. We will acknowledge receipt and take reasonable steps to avoid capturing the participant in future promotional material and to remove, where practicable, images and recordings under our control. This may not affect materials already printed or distributed, or copies reshared by third parties outside our control.
3. On the day, we ask the participant to please also tell a member of staff so we can put practical measures in place (e.g., alternative positioning/identifier).
4. Processing is in line with our Privacy Notice.
5. Separate, opt-in consent may be requested for EDA to use and/or sell images (e.g., performance photos) for promotional or commercial purposes; consent can be withdrawn for future use at any time.
6. Participants and accompanying adults must not create, post or share images/audio/video from EDA activities without our permission. This includes activities on premises we control and at our events off site.
7. Any permitted images are for private use only and must follow any conditions we set. Publication without permission may infringe others' privacy or our copyright.
8. Posts on social media relating to EDA activities must be respectful and must not bully, harass or disclose personal information about others. Breach may lead to action such as dismissal, non-refund of fees and barring from future events.

14. Liability

1. Emil Dale Academy's liability is limited as permitted by law.
2. EDA is responsible for foreseeable loss or damage you suffer that is caused by our failure to perform these Terms with reasonable care and skill, or by our breach of legal duty, unless the loss is caused by your own actions or those of a third party.
3. Participants (and parents/guardians) should keep valuables with them; EDA is not responsible for lost/stolen/damaged items.

4. Nothing in these Terms excludes or limits liability for:
 - i. death or personal injury caused by negligence
 - ii. fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation
5. Subject to the above, EDA (and its officers, employees and agents) is not liable, to the fullest extent permitted by law, for:
 - i. damage to, theft or loss of your property (including personal possessions, IT equipment, bicycles or vehicles), unless caused by our negligence
 - ii. non-return of work submitted for assessment – keep a copy of anything you submit
 - iii. loss arising solely from a failure to follow a procedural step, if the same outcome would have occurred had the step been followed
 - iv. indirect or consequential loss, loss of opportunity, or loss of income or profit, however arising
6. Except as set out above, any liability in contract, tort, breach of statutory duty, misrepresentation or otherwise is limited to the greater of:
 - a. the total tuition fees and additional charges paid by you (or on your behalf) for the relevant academic year; or
 - b. any amount we receive from our insurers for that loss.

15. Events Outside Our Control

1. We will do what we reasonably can to provide your programme(s) and related services and facilities as described. Sometimes events beyond our reasonable control that could not have been prevented even with reasonable care (“Events Outside Our Control”) may prevent, hinder or delay delivery.
2. Examples include:
 - a. industrial action by third parties
 - b. power failure or utility outage
 - c. acts of terrorism or security incidents
 - d. epidemics, pandemics or other public-health measures
 - e. fire, severe weather, natural disasters
 - f. political or civil unrest
 - g. damage to, interruption of, or lack of access to buildings, facilities or equipment
 - h. acts or delays of government or local authorities
 - i. legal or regulatory change
3. If such events occur, we will notify you and take reasonable steps to minimise disruption, for example by:
 - a. offering transfer to another programme where reasonably possible
 - b. deferring a start date
 - c. delivering from another location or online, or at another time
 - d. delivering a modified version of the programme
 - e. assisting you to transfer to complete at another provider
 - f. delivering other services and facilities in a different way or online
4. If Events Outside Our Control mean we cannot reasonably take steps to minimise disruption, our and your obligations are suspended, and we will refund fees paid for undelivered elements of the affected Programme.
5. Neither party is liable for other losses (including travel or accommodation) or for further performance, except as required by law.

16. Complaints

1. Complaints should be raised in accordance with Emil Dale Academy's Complaints Policy.

17. Cancellation Rights

1. You have a statutory right to cancel within 14 days of acceptance, without giving any reason.
2. The cancellation period expires 14 days from the day you accept the offer of a place at EDA.
3. To cancel, tell the Admissions team at Admissions@emildale.co.uk with a clear statement (for example, email or letter).
4. To meet the deadline, send your cancellation before the 14-day period ends.
5. If you cancel within the statutory period, EDA will reimburse all payments we have received from you under this contract. We will make the refund without undue delay and no later than 14 days after you inform us of your decision, using the same payment method unless you agree otherwise, unless this falls within a school holiday period in which case payment will still be made but may be delayed due to availability of staff.
6. If you cancel after the 14-day statutory cancellation period has expired, Emil Dale will not refund any payments received, including where you are unable to attend because of illness or injury, unless required by law. In the limited circumstances described in Section 4, where Emil Dale is able to fill a cancelled place with another paying participant, Emil Dale may choose to provide a refund at its discretion. This does not create an entitlement to a refund.
7. If your programme is due to begin within 14 days of you accepting the offer, by accepting the offer you agree that services may begin within the cancellation period. If you then cancel within the period, you may be charged a proportionate amount for services provided up to the point of cancellation.

18. Document Control

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