



Getting To Faslane

Most people will be coming to Scotland for more than just the Faslane action. Many groups will be organising cheap transport for the Make Poverty History demo on the Saturday or for the whole week. We'll organise low-priced buses from Glasgow, Edinburgh and other Scottish towns & cities to Faslane on Monday morning.

Mobilising for the Blockade

We want as many people as possible at the blockade which means that you need to start mobilising now. Could you be a local contact for your area? Start thinking of action ideas and forming your affinity group.

There will be Faslane-G8 meetings organised by Scottish CND around Scotland. If you want to know details for your town contact Scottish CND. If you live outside Scotland can you do a similar event locally?

We can provide materials, support, trainers, speakers, etc. for mobilising in your area.

Blockade briefing-meetings will be held on Sunday evening (3rd July) in Glasgow and at the Alternative Summit in Edinburgh.

We encourage everyone coming to the blockade to be in affinity groups and to have done a short nonviolent direct action workshop. Workshops will be run in Glasgow the weekend before the blockade but it's better to do one earlier. Local workshops are also a good way to mobilise and to prepare as a group.

If you'd like a workshop locally please contact Alison on training@tridentploughshares.org or 0845 330 3877.

Support Work

Not everyone who comes to a blockade has to risk arrest. There are many support roles, both within affinity groups and for the blockade as a whole which are vital to the success of the event.

These include being a legal observer, staffing info-points, cooking, media work and collecting people when they are released from police stations. We need lots of volunteers to help with this.

Legal Info

If we get enough people no-one will get arrested! If people do get arrested, we've a lot of experience of doing this kind of action here and a good relationship with the local police. Many people, from many backgrounds, have been arrested at Faslane and have found it a good experience. Long-term personal repercussions are rare. A full legal briefing will be in the briefing pack including information for people coming from abroad. *NB: Scots Law is different from English law.*

A Full Briefing Pack for the Blockade will be available early in March

We will nonviolently blockade all five entrances to Faslane to stop the morning shift change (at 7am!) and disrupt the work of the base. We'll do this by sitting in the road, using lock-ons and tripods. People will also disrupt the base by cutting or climbing the fence or by swimming in. Tips on how to prepare to do this will be available in the briefing pack

The blockade is not just for people who are ready to risk arrest by blocking the gateways or cutting the fence, there is also a vital place for those who wish to support the blockade with their presence and practical help.

This is an international action. There will be a meeting on Sunday 17th April at "Bombspotting XL" in Belgium to co-ordinate international mobilisation. Translations of the briefing pack will be on our website.

We are committed to confronting the ultimate violence of nuclear weapons nonviolently and we ask that everyone coming to the blockade respects this. We ask people to respect the following guidelines on this action:

- We are committed to always act in a way that causes no harm to ourselves or others.
- Our attitude will be one of sincerity and respect towards the people we encounter.
- We will not engage in physical violence or verbal abuse toward any individual.
- We will carry no weapons.
- We will not bring or use alcohol or drugs other than for medical purposes.
- We will clear the blockade to allow emergency vehicles in or out of the base and then resume the blockade afterwards.

Where to Stay

Accommodation for the blockade is already organised in Glasgow for Saturday, to Monday nights. People coming to Edinburgh for Saturday can then either make their way to Glasgow over the weekend or stay in Edinburgh and get one of the coaches to Faslane on Monday. Other groups are also arranging convergence spaces/accommodation in Glasgow, Edinburgh as well as a rural campsite (*to be confirmed*) for the week.