

Things to consider before registering

Compassion Volunteer Network

If you're not already involved, why not consider becoming a Compassion Volunteer? Join a close-knit community of over a thousand passionate people around the country and be one of the first to hear about exciting new developments. [Discover](#) the five ways you can volunteer for Compassion and sign up on our website.

Basic itinerary

- Tour the Compassion country office.
- Visit a Child Survival project and the homes of mothers and babies receiving essential care.
- Visit child development projects in urban and rural settings, like the one your sponsored child attends, and homes of children supported by these projects.
- Attend a Sunday service at a church which partners with Compassion.
- Learn more about Compassion projects offering RESPOND initiatives to their communities and visit the homes of beneficiaries.
- Attend a Fun Day – a day of activities at a central location, where you will have the opportunity to meet your sponsored child if you sponsor in Thailand.

Trip preparation

Further documentation

All those travelling with Compassion are required to read and sign a Child Protection Form in line with our Child Protection Policy. This policy exists to protect both you and the children in our care from any potential exploitation or harm. Once your place on the tour has been confirmed, you will receive a copy of these documents to sign and return to us.

We also require all travellers on Compassion trips to provide a Disclosure or Criminal Record Check to ensure the safety of both the participants on the trip and the Compassion staff and children we will be visiting. This can be a copy of an existing document you already hold for ministry or employment if this is dated within the last two years prior to the date of visit. If you currently do not hold such a document you can obtain a 'basic disclosure' from www.disclosurescotland.co.uk. Once your place on the tour has been confirmed, we will provide further information.

Cancellation policy

If the tour has to be cancelled by Compassion for reasons beyond our control, we will ask tour members to pursue reimbursement from their insurance companies (please ensure you take out travel insurance that covers such eventualities).

If the tour has to be cancelled by Compassion due to insufficient participants, Compassion will make a full refund of any money already paid towards the tour.

If an individual pulls out of a tour, Compassion will refund the cost of the tour if the space can be filled by someone else. However if an individual pulls out of a tour and the flight tickets have already been issued, then Compassion will have to retain the cost of the ticket as names cannot be changed. If the place cannot be filled, any costs that have not yet been incurred will be refunded at Compassion's discretion. If no refunds can be offered, it will be the individual's responsibility to claim it on their insurance.

Compassion UK reserves the right to decline a place on the trip. If you are not offered a place, your deposit will be fully refunded to your payment account.