

WELCOME LETTER FOR INTERNATIONAL WEEK 2026

Introduction

Dear participant,

We are excited to welcome you to International week. The following welcome letter contains important information regarding the week, as well as a packing list. Please read it carefully along with the code of conduct for International week.

Please see the bottom of the welcome letter for the week team's contact information, in case you have questions. We can't wait to see you this summer.

Love,
Caro & Sophia
Communications/week responsables

Welcome letter

Welcome to Femø Kvindelejr (Femø Women's Camp) – International week 2026.

We are so happy to have you and can't wait to create an amazing camp together.

In this letter, you will find some important information that will help you prepare for an enjoyable week. Besides this letter, you can also find information about the camp on the official [website](#), including the description of the week, how to travel and so forth. For information regarding payment, please see the separate document regarding payment for more information.

We have an amazing line up of workshops, talking groups and other planned activities this year! Check out the website for this year's [program](#).

International Week officially starts on Saturday 25. July around 5 pm once everyone has gotten to the island and camp. Please contact us, if you arrive earlier. It is not possible to stay at camp the night before, unless you are part of the organizing week team, because International week is one of six thematic weeks and there is a full week before us. Let us know, if that poses any problem.

We strongly recommend staying for a whole week, as this brings the best flow for everyone, including yourself. The camp can only happen because we all bring ourselves and our contributions into the community. Everyone is important.

The camp has a zero-tolerance policy for any forms of discrimination. Racism, sexism, homophobia, ableism, body shaming, trans-and gender discrimination have no place in our community and we have been working for many years on making Femø a safer space for all participants. It's important for us to continuously work on creating an atmosphere where we can develop our knowledge and learn from each other. See more below regarding how we create a safe space and code of conduct.

We hope that you will enjoy your week(s) at the camp and that it will be inspiring and wonderful! Each week is unique, but they all share the fact that together we will fill the week with great memories and help make the camp function as a safe and lovely place to be. Below you can read more about the camp – first, the most important information under "Important Information," then more detailed information about the camp in "Additional Information," and finally, about the camp's activities during the rest of the year. Welcome again, we are so happy you're here!

Important Information

Coming to Femø is always exciting, no matter if you have been before or if it is your first time. The following section includes community guidelines, packing list and more.

Packing List Suggestions

- A warm sleeping bag (it can get chilly at night)
- A good camping mattress (we have pumps for air mattresses in the camp and some old mattresses which can be borrowed)
- A flashlight, as there is no electricity in the camp
- Sun lotion
- Mosquito-repellent
- Summer clothes - days can get nice and warm
- Warm sweaters - evenings can get chilly and we love sitting around the bonfire
- Waterproof clothes and shoes
- Over-the-counter medicine (currently, Panadol, etc., cannot be purchased at the camp)
- Cable to charge your phone (USB-A cables only)
- Optional (but fun): Musical instruments, book or games (there are already some at the camp)

Do not bring:

- Pets (guide dogs excluded)
- Electronic speakers
- Any soaps, shampoos, and conditioners as it hurts the environment and nature around the camp – the camp has mild, gentle soap available for free use

Community

The camp only works when we help and listen to each other. So smile at a stranger, and you'll know them the next day, help with luggage, or swing a dishcloth at the washing-up. The camp only works when we all contribute. We want the camp to be a pleasant place, and together, we can make sure it is!

A Safer Space and Code of Conduct

Everyone who has a place at the camp is warmly welcomed! So, please treat each other kindly and look forward to a fantastic week together. Remember that not everyone at the camp may be just like you. We value each other with respect and consideration. There are many ways to be human and express oneself, and that diversity is an important part of International week.

During the Saturday name presentation and the workshops throughout the week, people may share their pronouns. You may also want to share yours to avoid assumptions about your gender identity and/or pronouns. Not everyone may want to share their pronouns, and we respect that. All pronouns are to be respected, though, even if they sound unfamiliar to you. We can differ in many ways, and it is our collective responsibility to create a safer space where everyone feels welcome.

We respect each other's physical and personal boundaries. We do not accept oppressive, discriminatory, or hateful language. And of course, we do not tolerate any form of harmful, threatening, or violent behavior. The well-being person has a special focus on helping newcomers integrate into the community and help resolve conflicts before they escalate. The week team is authorized and reserves the right to expel participants from the camp if their behavior crosses the line.

Before arriving at camp, each participant is expected to read the code of conduct for International week. Please see the code of conduct for more information regarding how situations where transgressive or unwanted behavior is experienced or witnessed are handled.

Week Team

The week team helps plan and coordinate the week, and has the overall responsibility for how the camp runs and helping clarify questions about camp life. The team consists of two communication/week responsables, an economy responsible, two kitchen responsables, two bar responsables, two truck responsables, and child activists, as well as any swiffers. We also have two well-being people at the camp who assist the week team. The week team, together with the other participants, must ensure that the guidelines established during seminars are followed – read more about seminars at the end of the document. But mostly, they support you in creating a wonderful week together with everybody else.

Photography and phone policy

Remember to ask for consent from everyone – including children – before taking pictures. At the camp, there should be space to be yourself without worrying about photography.

Femø is at its best when we are present with one another. We therefore encouraged everyone to keep phone usage in the common areas to a minimum.

Transportation (schedule might be changed, Ferry times are not yet confirmed)

You can reach Femø in different ways: On Saturday morning, there's a shared bus departure from Kvindehuset (Gothersgade 37, 1123 Copenhagen) with a stop at the Harbour of Rødby instead, your own vehicle, or public transportation. Regardless of your mode of transport, there's a shared ferry departure at 2:00 PM from Kragenæs Ferry Port on Saturday when the week starts. In Kragenæs, we all help each other load luggage onto the ferry.

[Schedules for shared bus departure from Kvindehuset or Rødby Harbour \(for International Week in Rødby\)](#) (Schedule might be changed, ferry times are not yet confirmed)

		Kvindehuset, Copenhagen	Rødby Ferry Port	Kragenæs Harbour	Femø Harbour
Copenhagen – Femø	<i>Meeting Time</i>	25. July 2026 09.15	12.30	13.30	
	<i>Departure</i>	9.30	12.30	14.00	Ca. 15.00
		Femø Harbour	Kragenæs Harbour	Rødby Ferry Port	Kvindehuset, København
Femø – Copenhagen	<i>Arrival</i>	1. august 2026 12.55	13.50	Ca. 15.00	17.00

You have a spot on the bus if you reserved it when signing up for the week. If you missed it: contact kontoret@kvindelejren.dk, and we will find a solution. The bus doesn't stop along the way, so please bring a packed lunch and drinks for the journey. There is a toilet on the bus.

The Week's Activities

During your week, you can participate in workshops – read more about the workshops on the camp's website. You can also swim, make a bonfire, enjoy the three daily shared meals (note: it's always possible to make a sandwich if you get hungry in between), and much more. If you get a great idea during the week that you'd like to lead, that's also possible, whether it's pop-up yoga, baking stick bread, or something else. The camp is just as much yours as anyone else's.

Party theme

As per tradition, on Wednesday during the week we will have a big party. This year the theme is *The Enchanted Forest*. Maybe you have always dreamed of wearing elf ears or have a knack for brewing potions? Or are you a well-travelled knight passing through on the way to their next adventure? Perhaps you are one of the many wonderful creatures that hide in the forest like goblins, trolls and mischievous fairies. No matter your ilk, *The Enchanted Forest* bids you welcome and wishes for you to join for a night of magic and mystery.

Most people dress up for the party, so remember to bring a costume. It is often possible to find stuff on or around camp that can be used to create a costume, but we recommend that you bring your own.

Sleeping and accommodations

Accommodation at the camp takes place either in large, sturdy shared tents, your own tent, or bivouac. There is space for your own tents at the camp, but large tents are not allowed. These can be easily damaged by the wind. If you want to sleep in your own tent, bring a smaller, robust one. If you bring your own tent, pay attention to the safety distances of 3 meters between the small tents.

If you sleep in a shared tent, please note that for fire safety reasons, you cannot set up an inner tent or mosquito net inside the shared sleeping tents.

The camp has a limited number of basic felt beds available. If you are in need of one, please contact the week team.

Shower and Electronics

The camp has a basic hot shower that functions on solar power. The solar panels are also used for the charging stations, where you can charge your phone (note: to charge phones, USB-A cables are required). Charging other items such as power banks and tablets is done in a charging station near the camp.

Economy

You will not receive a refund for accommodation or bus travel if you leave the camp early or if you do not show up at the beginning of the week without notifying us. No credit is given for accommodation or drinks.

Guests and Visitors

The camp's policy is currently based on CPR numbers, meaning boys/men with an odd CPR number are not welcome at the camp from the age of 12. If a participant brings someone into the camp who does not comply with this policy, the week team can expel both individuals. If a male craftsman with an odd CPR number needs to enter the camp for a necessary task, the participants will be informed in advance.

Additional Information

Duties

There are a number of practical tasks that need to be completed for the camp to function. There is a duty list at the camp for all the practical tasks that need to be done during the week, and everyone must sign up for duties. The week responsible(s) calculate how many duties each person needs to complete, depending on how many people are at the camp. Typically, each person has one duty per day.

The duties are: cooking, washing dishes, and emptying the toilets, and on some weeks, arranging group meetings. Detailed descriptions of the tasks can be found at the camp, and the kitchen responsible will be present when the food groups begin. The food is, as much as possible, organic. Remember, once you've signed up for a duty, it's your responsibility to do it. If you cannot complete the task, you must find a replacement and inform the person responsible for the duty. This also applies if you need to leave earlier than planned.

Truck

The camp has a truck used to drive to and from the harbor. The truck can only be driven by the truck responsible(s). Their primary job is to pick up food, drinks, gas, and cooling elements for the camp. When the truck returns, there are often many heavy boxes to unload. Please help out – it's hard work!

Driving on the truck bed is at your own risk, and only if the driver agrees. Legally, the driver alone is responsible if an accident occurs. Never pressure a driver to carry passengers on the truck bed.

Passengers on the truck bed must sit down during transport, and there should be enough adults to supervise any children on the truck bed. The truck can also be used, by agreement, as transportation for a group outing during the week.

Bar

At the camp, you can help yourself to beer, soda, juice, wine, and spirits using a sticker system. We also have alcohol-free beer. We call it our "bar." You pay in the bar using stickers. The bar responsible(s) manage the purchases, and the economy responsible sells the stickers.

Fire and Storm

On Sunday morning, there will be an instruction for everyone on what to do in case of bad weather or a fire. The tents are very exposed to stormy weather, so it is necessary to learn how to handle tent pegs, guy ropes, and tent covers while the weather is calm. All participants are expected to attend the storm and fire instructions, even if you sleep in a bivouac or private tent, so everyone is fully prepared in case of fire or bad weather.

Smoking

Smoking is allowed only at a specific table, in the small smoking tent, or on the beach (please dispose of your cigarette properly and not in nature).

Music

Femø is a wonderful place for those who enjoy peace and quiet and listening to birds sing. In a camp with tents, you can hear everything, so please be considerate of each other. Electronic music may only be played on the camp's sound system, and it is only for use in activity groups or planned parties.

The beach, water, and stones

The camp is located right by the beach, and the ground itself is protected, so be careful. Remember the general swimming rules: never swim alone, get to know the beach, read the wind and water, learn to swim, and never lose sight of children. Children must never be on the beach alone, so if you see a child going down there alone, it's your responsibility to stop them.

If you use a kayak, you must wear a life jacket. There is generally shallow water around Femø, but there are also many large stones. To the east of the camp, the water is deep. If the wind is from the west, you could risk being carried out to sea – this has happened before. Always agree with someone on when to expect to return after a boat trip and remember to let them know when you've returned!

Important info about stones: The grass on the site is mowed with a machine. The machine cannot handle stones. Therefore, no stones should be left on the site.

The Island's Population

There has been a women's camp on Femø for over 50 years, so the island's residents know us well and generally have a very positive view of the camp. We are very grateful for this and want to keep it that way, so please respect their fields and other property.

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Thank you for reading!

We hope you have a wonderful week at Femø. And when you get home and miss Femø, remember that the camp organizes events throughout the year at Kvindehuset, the Women' House, where many other exciting feminist activities take place – read more below.

Best regards,
Femø Women's Camp Secretariat

Email: kontoret@kvindelejren.dk
Camp phone: 30 22 06 65 (for emergencies only during camp periods) Address in summer:
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The Camp the Rest of the Year

Seminar – Camp's Biannual General Assembly

One Saturday in late autumn and one Saturday or Sunday in mid-spring, a seminar is held at Kvindehuset in Copenhagen for everyone who has attended the camp during the summer. At the seminar, you can influence the camp – whether it's about larger purchases that could be useful at the camp during the week, or discussions on proposed changes to the statutes.

The autumn seminar is decision-making for larger purchases and changes to the statutes, while the spring seminar is more practically focused on the upcoming summer. The camp's secretariat, which coordinates various tasks during the winter, is elected at the autumn seminar. It is also where functional groups are established, financial accounts are presented, and a budget is approved.

Kvindehuset

The camp is based at Kvindehuset (Gothersgade 37, 1123 Copenhagen K) when it's not summer. Here, the camp typically holds events such as the Pride party (August), reunion party (autumn), film screenings, and much more!

Other feminist groups also meet at Kvindehuset. Read more about them on Kvindehuset's website – the house offers many possibilities, and you can apply to start a new group by attending a house meeting.

Note: The house is separatist and welcomes everyone, except cis men.

Membership of Foreningen Femø

Foreningen Femø's purpose is to organize the Women's Camp on Femø. Everyone who has participated in the camp that year is a member of the association and has the opportunity to shape and strengthen it. The work of the association outside of the summer camp is just as important and rewarding as it is on the island. A one-year membership of the association is included in the camp price. People who have not participated in the current year's camp but have attended within the last 7 years can join the association by paying 100 DKK. The association's statutes can be found on the camp's website.

Contacting us

For more information about payment and transport, please check out International Week's website here. For questions related to the camp and week, please contact Caro and Sophia using intiweek@gmail.com

For questions about payments, etc., contact the office in Copenhagen:

kontoret@kvindelejren.dk

Extensive information about the camp can be found in English on the women's camp [website](#). Check it out if you have any further questions.

If there is any news or changes we'll publish them on our homepage: www.kvindelejren.dk

We look so much forward to meeting you in person on Femø and creating a great week together with you!!