



Risk Assessment

Assault Courses

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Description of Severity, Probability and Risk Factors

S = Severity	Description	P = Probability	Description	R.F. = Risk Factor	Description
1 Insignificant	No Injury No financial loss	1 Rare	Conveivable but only in extreme circumstances	1 3	Low Risk. Very little risk of harm to participants
2 Minor	First aid treatment Some financial loss or penalty	2 Unlikely	Hasn't happened yet, but could still happen	4 9	Moderate Risk. Very little risk of harm to participants if control measures are followed.
3 Moderate	Medical treatment required Financial loss or penalty	3 Possible	Could happen or has happened infrequently in the past	12 15	High Risk Some acceptable residual risk to participants. Enhanced control measures must be followed.
4 Major	Medical treatment in hospital required Significant financial loss or penalty	4 Likely	Could easily happen or has happened more frequently in the past	16 25	Catastrophic Risk Unacceptable level of risk
5 Catastrophic	Death Massive financial loss or penalty	5 Almost Certain	Often occurs		

Hazard	Involved	Risk	Control Measures	Residual Risk	Acceptable
Unauthorised Access	Unauthorised Users	P = 2 - UNLIKELY S = 3 - MODERATE R.F. = 6 - MODERATE	Fence is deteriorating and needs replacing in next closed period. Temporary repairs are in place.	P = 1 - RARE S = 3 - MODERATE R.F. = 3 - LOW	YES
Slips, Trips and Falls	All Users	P = 4 - LIKELY S = 3 - MODERATE R.F. = 12 - HIGH	Participants to be supervised by a suitable adult at all times. Participants to be advised that groups of no more than 2 participants on each element at a time. Supervising adult to walk the course before with the participants to explain how each element works and what is to be done. Supervisor to assess state of obstacles before use, check structure condition, check for leaves and other items that will increase slip hazard. Groups are sent the welcome pack page in advance, which advises about suitable clothing for participants.	P = 1 - RARE S = 3 - MODERATE R.F. = 3 - LOW	YES
Crush Injury	All Users	P = 3 - POSSIBLE S = 4 - MAJOR R.F. = 12 - HIGH	All elements to be checked regularly by the Activities Manager or appointed deputy, as per the site Planned Maintenance Schedule. Supervisor of activity to check all items before use. Any suspect equipment is withdrawn from use and reported. Only 2 people at a time to be on each item, however others should be around to provide support	P = 2 - UNLIKELY S = 2 - MINOR R.F. = 4 - MODERATE	YES
Uneven Ground and Exposed Roots	All Users	P = 3 - POSSIBLE S = 3 - MODERATE R.F. = 9 - MODERATE	Welcome pack information to include details about the possible risks from exposed tree roots and uneven ground. Groups are advised that the supervising leader should check the course prior to the start of the activity to identify any areas where exposed tree roots or similar hazards may be a problem. Groups should report any problems of this kind to the service team, which will take appropriate corrective action.	P = 1 - RARE S = 3 - MODERATE R.F. = 3 - LOW	YES
Slips, Trips and Falls due to Wet Weather	All Users	P = 5 - ALMOST CERTAIN S = 4 - MAJOR R.F. = 20 - CATASTROPHIC	The risk of this hazard is increased in wet weather. Supervisor to assess this increase and use the course appropriately, removing elements from use if necessary.	P = 3 - POSSIBLE S = 3 - MODERATE R.F. = 9 - MODERATE	YES