



Adventure Course – Risk Assessment

The document shows the risk assessment ratings for each identified hazard. The score for the likelihood of its happening is multiplied by the score of the severity of the injury.

(For example, likelihood 2 multiplied by Severity 5 = 10 medium).

This Risk assessment identifies the risk control methods that have been put into place to reduce either the Severity or Likelihood of an accident.

Hazard	Who	Existing Risk Value	Action to prevent	New Risk Value
Slips, Trips & Falls (Ground height)	Participants Instructors Leaders	5*5=25 High	Be made aware of any steps or objects on the ground. Shoe laces to be tied up. Appropriate Footwear to be worn on the activity. Clear Briefing/Instructions, full understanding.	2*5=10 Med
Slips, Trips & Falls	Participants Instructors Leaders Spectators	5*5=25 High	Be made aware of any steps. Shoe laces to be tied up. Appropriate Footwear to be worn inside compound. Clear Briefing/Instructions, full understanding. Participants leave the ground under supervision of instructor/leader where appropriate. Fenced area for compound.	2*5=10 Med
Failure of equipment	Participants Instructors Leaders	5*5=25 High	A bi-weekly inspection is done by qualified/trained staff. Before use inspection done by instructor. Inspect and monitor during use to moving parts of the course.	2*5=10 Med
Failure of structure	Participants Instructors Leaders Spectators	5*5=25 High	Arborists report on tree elements. Bi-Weekly and Pre use visual inspection from ground level by qualified/trained staff. Fenced area for activity.	1*5=5 Low
Entanglement	Participants	5*5=25 High	Ensure all Long hair is tied up/back as appropriate. Non-loose clothing to be worn. Clear Briefing/Instructions, full understanding. Participants to understand how to use elements correctly.	2*5=10 Med
Drowning	Participants	5*5=25	Water jump has been removed	1*5=5 Low
Falling objects	Participants Instructors Leaders Spectators	5*5=25 High	Clear Briefing/Instructions, full understanding. Fenced area for activity. Arborists report on trees Bi-Weekly and Pre use visual inspection from ground level by qualified/trained staff.	1*5=5 Low
Behavioural Problems	Participants Instructors Leaders	5*5=25 High	Clear Briefing/Instructions, full understanding. Ratio's 24:1 maximum. Group leader must be present to control group behaviour. Site behavioural policy.	2*5=10 Med
Wildlife	Participants Instructors Leaders	5*5=25 High	No food permitted in the compound. Compound checked before/during use. Allergies (controlled by group leader) Pest control where appropriate.	1*5=5 Low
Weather	Participants Leaders Instructors	5*5=25 High	Activity not to be used in lightning weather. Activity not to be used in wind factors 5 or above. Clear Briefing/Instructions, full understanding.	1*5=5 Low

			Instructor/Leader must consider if the course is too slippery to use. It is the instructor/leader's discretion to advise to stop the activity or not.	
Environment	Participants Leaders Instructors	5*5=25 High	Floor covering to be safe as appropriate. Cleared of any hazards, including sharp objects and any metal objects. Swing rope element to be supervised. Cargo net element to be supervised. Tyre Grinder element to be supervised	2*5=10 Med
Covid-19 Instructor Contact (Positive)	Participants Leaders Instructors	5x5=25 High	1m distance maintained if instructing Where not possible, face mask/shield is worn	2*5=10 Med
Covid-19 Group Contact			Removed	

This risk assessment is written in accordance with the operating process and procedures.

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Note:

Cargo net element likely to occur injury with incorrect usage.

Tyre Grinder must be supervised by a suitable leader/instructor due to the multi-directional nature of use.

It is the instructor/leader's responsibility to assess each participant ability and appropriateness of elements for each group.

Likelihood of Occurrence	Severity of Harm
0 = Never	0 = No Harm
1 = Unlikely	1 = Bumps & Bruises
2 = Possible	2 = Small Cuts & Lacerations
3 = A chance	3 = Broken/Fracture of Bones
4 = Likely	4 = Loss of limb
5 = Certain	5 = Fatality

		Severity				
		*	1	2	3	4
Likelihood	1	1	2	3	4	5
	2	2	4	6	8	10
	3	3	6	9	12	15
	4	4	8	12	16	20
	5	5	10	15	20	25

Levels of Acceptance	
1-6 Low	= Acceptable
7-10 Medium	= Monitor
11-12 medium	= Re-evaluate
13-25 High	= Not acceptable