

LOW ROPES RISK ASSESSMENT

<p>Date of assessment: July 2024</p> <p>Review Date: Annually, or if an incident / accident occurs – or if there is a change in the site operational procedure.</p> <p>Location: Compound next to climbing tower</p> <p>Assessed by: Pat Bailey - operations manager + Dan Farnsworth – Senior Instructor</p> <p>This document consists of 2 pages</p>	<p>Severity 0 – 10</p> <p>Likelihood 0 - 10</p> <p>Rating 0 - 100</p> <p>0 being the lowest possible value</p> <p>Rating = Likelihood X Severity</p> <p>All Hazards should fall within the adequately controlled category or lower.</p>
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Rating:	81-100	61-80	41-60	21-40	11-20	0-10
Action:	Immediate action	Action within 1 week	Not adequately controlled	Further investigation	Adequately controlled	Trivial risk

			SEVERITY	LIKELIHOOD	RATING	CONTROL
Slips, trips and falls when navigating around the site	All	Group control. Group instructed to be careful when moving around site, Adult supervision required around site – no unattended minors to be allowed on site. Hazards to be reported to office and action taken to remove or reduce risk – e.g. large holes, fallen branches etc. Anti-slip mats applied to slippery areas or ramps as needed.	4	3	12	Adequately Controlled
Horseplay whilst on session	All	Activity to be supervised by an instructor, leader or Responsible adults. Session to be stopped if behaviour prevents the instructor / leader effectively supervising the group. Adequate ratios of adults to minors in line with the association’s rules and policies.	6	2	12	Adequately Controlled
Adverse Weather Conditions	All	In extreme Weather assess the safety of the area and participants. –Assess the danger and risk and stop if the rain/wind is causing issues with safety. Extreme heat –watch for signs of dehydration –Find shaded areas and water bottle stops in place.	8	2	16	Adequately controlled

Equipment / course failure		<p>All equipment is checked by instructors prior to use. All equipment is checked and logged monthly for faults and defects. All equipment usage is logged. Course inspected annually by Registered course inspector.</p> <p>Weight limit of 18 stone (120 kg) in place as per course manufacturer's recommendations</p>	8	2	16	Adequately Controlled
Cuts, splinters and abrasions	All participants and staff	<p>Group advised to wear suitable footwear.</p> <p>Participants briefed to avoid touching overhead safety cable and avoiding all metal parts of the course.</p> <p>Course checked and monitored for rough surfaces or splinters prior to and during use. Course also inspected prior to use, monthly and annually for defects.</p> <p>Taught how to walk 'Crab style' to avoid rope burn when falling from ropes as per procedure.</p>	5	3	15	Adequately controlled
Falling from course	Participants	<p>Instructor, participants and spare group leaders to 'spot' participants. Participants to complete elements in a controlled manner.</p> <p>Only one climber per element and 2 per platform to avoid overcrowding and pushing.</p> <p>Instructor briefs each element.</p> <p>Spotters to be briefed on the importance of correct technique.</p>	4	3	12	Adequately controlled
Rope burn	Participants	<p>Participants advised of risks prior to use. Instruction on how to mount obstacles and dismount safely.</p> <p>No swinging on the elements allowed. Responsible adult always in attendance.</p>	3	3	9	Trivial risk
Medical	Participant	<p>Participant asked to declare any medical conditions that may be affected or impact on the safety of the session prior to the start of this activity</p>	4	3	12	Adequately controlled