

PARACHUTE DROP – QUICK FLIGHT RISK ASSESSMENT

Date of assessment: July 2024
 Review Date: Annually, or if an incident / accident occurs – or if there is a change in the site operational procedure.
 Location: High ropes compound (on site)
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Severity 0 – 10
 Likelihood 0 - 10
 Rating 0 - 100
 0 being the lowest possible value
 Rating = Likelihood X Severity
All Hazards should fall within the adequately controlled category or lower.

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 surfaces 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 effectively supervising the group. Adequate ratios of adults to minors in line with the association’s rules and policies.	6	2	12	Adequately Controlled
Falling from height	All	Instructors are assessed to the Scout Climbing permit level or the Girl Guide level 1 permit by a Climbing and abseiling assessor with a minimum qualification of MIA. and must also hold the relevant SITE specific High ropes and linear course Qualifications	10	2	20	Adequately controlled

		<p>Instructors may also hold ERCA high ropes linear course Staff running this are trained to gain High ropes Qualifications. Therefore, no self-led sessions will be allowed.</p> <p>Participants should not to begin their decent until the instructor in charge has checked that they are correctly attached to the Quick Flight system, and a pre harness check has taken place</p> <p>All safety gates are to remain closed until the Instructor opens and calls the Participant through.</p> <p>No overcrowding in the waiting platform.</p> <p>Those waiting may be seated in the waiting area on the ground floor.</p> <p>All personnel using the area must use a correctly fitting harness.</p> <p>Groups limited to 16 participants per hour to ensure that correct supervision can be provided unless additional measures are put in place and the session is adjusted.</p>				
Objects falling from above	All	<p>Helmets worn by everyone in the compound.</p> <p>Participants advised to tie shoelaces, remove loose items and empty pockets before putting on a harness.</p> <p>Course inspected prior to start of session to check for damage or lose items.</p>	3	4	12	Adequately controlled
Equipment failure	All	<p>All equipment is checked by instructors prior to use.</p> <p>All equipment is checked and logged monthly for faults and defects. All equipment usage is logged and all harnesses and Helmets are replaced according to the manufacturer's guidelines or after a maximum of five years. The Course is inspected monthly by Site staff and annually by a qualified Inspector.</p> <p>Quick flight is sent off for safety certification on an annual basis.</p>	8	2	16	Adequately controlled
Adverse Weather Conditions	All	<p>Activity stopped during Electrical Storms, Heavy Rain and High Winds as per guidance in the operational procedures. Extreme heat –watch for signs of</p>	8	2	16	Adequately controlled

		<p>dehydration –Find shaded areas and water bottle stops in place.</p> <p>In cold weather stop activity if ground temp below 8 degrees and assess for effects that may lead to hypothermia.</p>				
Inverting on decent	Participants	<p>Correctly positioned well-fitting harness, fitted and checked prior to climb by qualified Instructor.</p> <p>Use of chest harness for all participants.</p>	8	2	16	Adequately Controlled
Body clothing Entrapment	Participants	<p>Long hair tied back loose fitting clothing removed.</p> <p>Rings and jewellery to be removed</p> <p>Correct descent technique described by instructor.</p> <p>Instructors trained in and rescue techniques.</p>	7	2	14	Adequately controlled
Landing Zone Blocked	All	<p>Instructor to make sure landing Zone area free from equipment, people and hazards prior to letting candidate jump. Spotter for area to be used – in control of Zone</p> <p>Rake used to re gather stones on landing area during session.</p>	6	3	18	Adequately controlled
Medical	Participants	<p>Participant asked to declare any medical condition that may be affected prior to the session starting</p>	3	4	12	Adequately controlled