

Risk & Operational Assessment Activities / Challenge Course

Next Review: Dec 2025

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		May 2013	Nov 2017	March 2023	
		Nov 2013	Nov 2018	Dec 2023	
		Nov 2014	Nov 2019	Dec 2024	
		Nov 2015	April 2021		

Overview /

This takes place within a designated area and is out of bounds unless instructors are present. Group leaders are expected to assist with supervision of their group during this activity. Ratio 1:12 + 1 or 1:16 (under exceptional circumstances with consent from the group leader)

STEP ONE	STEP TWO	STEP THREE	STEP FOUR	STEP FIVE
List significant hazards here:	List groups of people who are at risk from the hazards you have identified:	List the Control Measures for the identified risks:	Identify any residual risk remaining after the control measures have been put in place:	Identify any benefits that may result from exposure to the perceived and residual risk for participants:
Falling / slips & trips	Instructors Guests Public.	In House Training Emergency procedures First aider always present First aid & near miss forms Advised to wear long sleeves and trousers that cover the knees	With the nature of this activity, small bumps and bruises can be inevitable.	
Incorrect use/ Misuse of equipment	Instructors Guests Public	Safe Working practice Session guide Equipment safety checks Personal protective equipment Group leader responsibilities .	Potential of guests not adhering to the safety brief.	Equipment could be completely fenced off and locked or access to outside areas could be refused however this would have a negative aesthetic impact on the environment and prevent use of outside areas for recreation.
Unauthorized access to equipment	Public Guests	Staff use authorisation procedure "No Access" signs Fence and gates around area	Misuse of equipment by outside parties/ trespassers.	Equipment could be completely fenced off and locked or access to outside areas could be refused however this would have a negative aesthetic impact on the environment and prevent use of outside areas for recreation.

Rope Burns	Instructors Guests	Emergency procedures First aider always present First aid & near miss forms Advised to wear long sleeves and trousers that cover the knees	Potential of guests not adhering to the safety brief.	
Splinters	Instructors Guests	Emergency procedures First aider always present First aid & near miss forms Advised to wear long sleeves and trousers that cover the knees	Potential of guests not adhering to the safety brief.	
Cold/Heat/weather	Instructors Guests	Centre is within 200m of the north shore Adequate clothing for the environment, survival shelters available if needed. First aid and near miss forms.	Weather-wind and/or rain/Sun/lightning	Exposure to cold/heat and inclement weather has proven positive developmental effects and teaches people about their limitations.