

Risk Assessment

Activity: Initiatives

Activity Aspect	Hazard	Risk	Likelihood	Risk Level	Rating	Control measures
Set up	Branches on the ground	Tripping	Rare	Minor	Low	Instructors regularly go through and pick up loose branches on the ground. No running.
A-Frame	Branches on the ground	Tripping	Unlikely	Minor	Low	Instructors regularly go through and pick up loose branches on the ground. No running.
	A-frame	Falling over	Possible	Moderate	High	Only the instructor is allowed to touch the A-frame. Participants are not allowed in front of the knot in the rope coming from the A-frame. These knots are set outside the range of the A-frame falling.
		Tripping	Unlikely	Minor	Low	Only the instructor is allowed to touch the A-frame. Everyone else needs to stay away from it.
	Rocks	Tripping	Unlikely	Minor	Low	No running at initiatives
	Rope	Rope burn	Unlikely	Minor	Low	Everyone is to grip the rope tightly and not be sliding their hands along it.

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Build a bridge	Branches on the ground	Tripping	Unlikely	Minor	Low	Instructors regularly go through and pick up loose branches on the ground.	No running.
	Rope	Rope burn	Unlikely	Minor	Low	Everyone is to grip the rope tightly and not be sliding their hands along it.	No running.
	Wooden platforms	Tripping	Unlikely	Minor	Low	Participants are to be careful with each other when on the platforms.	Participants are only allowed on the ropes if there are two spotters either side of the person spotting correctly. The instructor will teach everyone how to spot correctly and monitor spotting while participants are on the rope.
	Incorrect spotting	Falling	Unlikely	Major	High	Participants are only allowed on the ropes if there are two spotters either side of the person spotting correctly. The instructor will teach everyone how to spot correctly and monitor spotting while participants are on the rope.	Instructors regularly go through and pick up loose branches on the ground.
Do I go?	Branches on the ground	Tripping	Unlikely	Minor	Low	Instructors regularly go through and pick up loose branches on the ground.	No running.
	Rope	Rope burn	Unlikely	Minor	Low	Everyone is to grip the rope tightly and not be sliding their hands along it.	No running.

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		Falling	Possible	Minor	Moderate	<p>Make sure the wooden platforms are not spread too far from each other.</p> <p>Make adaptations for people who you reckon won't be able to swing across.</p>
	Wooden platforms	Tripping	Unlikely	Minor	Low	<p>No running at initiatives.</p> <p>Participants are to be careful on the platforms. No being rough.</p>
	Dog	Barking	Possible	Minor	Moderate	<p>The owner of the next doors dog has been notified about their dog being disruptive in the neighbourhood and is now kept in a separate yard.</p> <p>If the dog is out however, this initiative is not to be used and a different one will be chosen.</p>
Spiders web	Branches on the ground	Tripping	Unlikely	Minor	Low	<p>Instructors regularly go through and pick up loose branches on the ground.</p> <p>No running.</p>
	Elastic	Tripping	Possible	Minor	Moderate	<p>No running.</p> <p>Proper technique of going through the web is taught at the start of the session.</p>

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<p>The proper safe technique is taught at the very start of the activity. The instructor monitors technique throughout the session and stops bad technique straight away.</p>	<p>Moderate</p>	<p>Moderate</p>	<p>Unlikely</p>	<p>Falling</p>	<p>Bad carrying technique</p>	
<p>Instructors regularly go through and pick up loose branches on the ground. No running.</p>	<p>Low</p>	<p>Minor</p>	<p>Unlikely</p>	<p>Tripping</p>	<p>Branches on the ground</p>	<p>Skyscraper</p>
<p>Participants aren't allowed near the ropes unless they are doing the activity. No running.</p>	<p>Low</p>	<p>Minor</p>	<p>Unlikely</p>	<p>Tripping</p>	<p>Wires</p>	
<p>Instructors regularly go through and pick up loose branches on the ground. No running.</p>	<p>Low</p>	<p>Minor</p>	<p>Unlikely</p>	<p>Tripping</p>	<p>Branches on the ground</p>	<p>Croc Pit</p>
<p>No running. Tripping</p>	<p>Low</p>	<p>Minor</p>	<p>Unlikely</p>	<p>Tripping</p>	<p>Wooden planks</p>	
<p>No running. Tripping</p>	<p>Low</p>	<p>Minor</p>	<p>Unlikely</p>	<p>Tripping</p>	<p>Pavers</p>	
<p>Keep trees pruned around the activity.</p>	<p>Low</p>	<p>Minor</p>	<p>Unlikely</p>	<p>Hitting someone head</p>	<p>Low hanging branches</p>	

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All aboard	Branches on the ground	Tripping	Unlikely	Minor	Low	Instructors regularly go through and pick up loose branches on the ground. No running.
	Wooden Boxes	Tripping	Unlikely	Minor	Low	No running
		Falling	Unlikely	Minor	Low	Monitor the technique participants are adapt of there is a danger of a bad fall.
	Rough behaviour	Head clashing	Unlikely	Minor	Low	Monitor the technique participants are adapt of there is a danger of a bad fall.
Minefield	Branches on the ground	Tripping	Unlikely	Minor	Low	Instructors regularly go through and pick up loose branches on the ground. No running.
	Pavers	Tripping	Unlikely	Minor	Low	No running.
Blindfold maze	Branches on the ground	Tripping	Unlikely	Minor	Low	Instructors regularly go through and pick up loose branches on the ground. No running.
	Elastic	Tripping	Possible	Minor	Moderate	Monitor the participants in the maze and change what they are doing if there is a danger of tripping over.

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Monitor the participants in the maze and change what they are doing if there is a danger of tripping over.	Moderate	Minor	Possible	Walking into a tree	Trees
Instructors regularly go through and pick up loose branches on the ground. No running.	Low	Minor	Unlikely	Tripping	Branches on the ground
Instructors have training in how to use the maintenance equipment or they are being supervised by someone who does.	Moderate	Moderate	Rare	Injuries to self	Incorrect use of maintenance equipment
The activity area is to be inspected at the start of the day for snakes. When travelling from one initiative to another, the instructor needs to lead the way to scan for snakes along the way.	High	Major	Rare	Bite	Snakes
The activity area is to be inspected at the start of the day for mosquito's If there are mosquito's present, mosquito spray is to be applied at the start of the session.	Moderate	Moderate	Rare	Bite	Mosquito's

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Other						
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Risk Matrix

Risk assessment matrix template as specified by the Australian Adventure Activity Standards Core Good Practice Guide v1.0 which was updated in 2019.

The level of risk matrix combines the scales for likelihood and consequence to produce a qualitative description of the level of risk. An example of the level of risk descriptors are low, moderate, high and extreme. There is a direct relationship between the increased likelihood of something occurring, the worse the consequences are and the higher the level of risk.

Likelihood	Consequence				
	Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Major	Catastrophic
Almost Certain	High	High	Extreme	Extreme	Extreme
Likely	Moderate	High	High	Extreme	Extreme
Possible	Low	Moderate	High	Extreme	Extreme
Unlikely	Low	Low	Moderate	High	Extreme
Rare	Low	Low	Moderate	High	High

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