



LEAVING THE GROUND RISK ASSESSMENT

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		HAZARD	PERSONS AT RISK	EXISTING PREVENTATIVE MEASURES	PROBABILITY (P) 1-5	SEVERITY (S) 1-5	RATING (P) X (S) 1-25	WHAT MEASURES NEED TO BE TAKEN	BY WHO
1		Weather	Group and leader	A General Welfare & Weather Risk Assessment completed.				The group will be fully equipped to deal with potential dangers arising from poor weather and welfare issues.	SEO AND MH need to check weather forecasts and ensure all safety equipment is in position.
2		Woodland site hazards	Group and leader	Woodland Site specific Risk Assessment completed.				The group will be made aware of aspects highlighted in the Woodlands Site Risk Assessment.	SEO AND MH are to ensure that aspects from woodlands site risk assessment are highlighted.
3		Head injury	Group	Any person leaving the ground from any distance must wear a helmet.	2	4	4	The group must understand that the helmet will be worn. All helmets will have an effective chin strap and checked that they are adjusted to fit correctly.	SEO AND MH to ensure the helmet is fastened and worn/adjusted correctly.
4		Lifting	Group lifting	Lifting procedure is followed to prevent back injuries or strains.	1	4	4	The group to be aware and practise the lifting procedure.	SEO AND MH to control at all times.
5		Being dropped by the group	Group and leader	Lifting procedures to be followed correctly.	1	4	4	Group need to understand the lifting procedure.	SEO AND MH to be in control of the whole activity.
6		Hitting the ground	Group and leader	The area selected for these activities is soft with any stones, branches and debris removed.	2	3	6	Group need to understand the lifting procedure.	SEO AND MH to control activity at all times.
7		Walking into ropes and entanglement	Group and leader	See Ropes and String Activity Risk Assessment. Ropes will be made out of bright materials.	2	3	6	Groups using ropes will avoid putting them where people could walk into them.	SEO AND MH will advise the group how to avoid putting ropes at potentially dangerous heights.
8		Pulleys failing	Group and leader	All equipment is checked regularly to meet specified standards.	1	4	4	SEO AND MH will check any pulleys being used and will decommission a pulley if a defect has occurred or found.	SEO AND MH to check equipment before use.
9		Ropes failing	Group and leader	All equipment is checked regularly to meet specified standards.	1	4	4	SEO AND MH must check ropes before each session and decommission if any defects are detected.	SEO AND MH to ensure all equipment is in working order before use.