## Forest School



## TOOLS RISK ASSESSMENT – PEN/SHEATH KNIFE

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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	Knife transportati on	Group and Leaders	All knives are kept in sheaths when not in use. SEO AND MH to carry knife at all times in rucksack when using rope, see rope assessment.	2	2	4	To ensure the group have a full understanding on how to carry the tool correctly – tool talks and good modelling.	SEO AND MH
2	Knife slipping when using	Group and Leaders	Tool maintenance – kept sharp and useable. No gloves worn to prevent slipping.	4	3	12	To ensure group have a full understanding on how to position the tool correctly when using it so if a slip occurs it will not make contact with them or any other group member.	SEO AND MH
3	Knife storage during a session	Group and Leaders	Knives need to be in their sheath locked in a box.	1	3	3	Knives need to be in their sheath locked in a box.	SEO AND MH
4	Knife blade snapping	Group and Leaders	Regular and effective maintenance of tools.	2	3	6	The group should know that if a problem occurs with a tool they report it immediately to SEO AND MH or another adult who will report to SEO AND MH. SEO AND MH will decommission the tool.	SEO AND MH

