

Whiteley Woods OAC



Risk Assessment – Traverse wall

Date: September 2024

| Potential Hazard | Who is at Risk | Likelihood | Severity | Risk Rating | Preventative Measures |
|---|----------------|------------|----------|-----------------|--|
| Slips, trips & falls | Participants | 3 | 1 | 3 LOW | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Activity should take place in spaces suitable for the activity and size of the group - Remove or re-arrange any obstacles in the area so that it meets the needs of the activity & group (if indoors move all furniture and allow for a large activity area) - Check that all participants are wearing low heeled or flat shoes - Participants briefed at beginning of session; behaviour monitored throughout. - Ability of group assessed by leader prior to taking part. - A first aider and first aid kit must be on hand (one can be requested from the office if needed.) |
| Uneven floor surface – through gaps formed between impact mats etc | Participants | 1 | 3 | 3 LOW | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Group leader to check the mats are in a safe position before activity - Group leader to be vigilant and adjust mats as needed throughout the session |
| Falls from height & collisions with other participants | Participants | 1 | 2 | 2 LOW | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Group leader to be vigilant and watch for climbers going too high - Space out climbers and instruct them to give each other plenty of room |
| Equipment failure (including spinning holds) & inappropriate use of equipment | Participants | 1 | 3 | 3 LOW | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Safety brief to be given to all participants - Group leader to monitor behaviour of non-climbing participants - Regular safety checks on all equipment & a record kept - Equipment to be inspected by on-duty manager before use - Groups to report any faults found with equipment immediately |
| Inappropriate clothing | Participants | 1 | 3 | 3 LOW | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Appropriate clothing to be worn i.e., nothing too loose & preferably clothing that covers legs & arms - Sturdy footwear that is securely tied onto feet must be worn |

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| Existing medical condition | Participants | 2 | 3 | 6 LOW | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Leaders to ensure the appropriate health & parental consent forms are used. - Ensure necessary medication available if needed. - Ensure all leaders are aware of the OAC's accident/emergency procedures. - Group to have access to a mobile phone. |
| Fire | Volunteers, staff, site visitors | 1 | 5 | 5 Low | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Full fire risk assessment completed, up to date and available in the office - Fire checks completed and up to date - Appropriate fire training undertaken by volunteers/staff - Appropriate fire extinguishers available |
| Operating Notes: Please note that at least 2 adults are required to move the impact mats to avoid injury; please see the on-duty manager for help. | | | | | |

Signed:

On behalf of:

Date:

| Likelihood of Occurrence | Severity of Outcome | | | | |
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| | 1 Negligible | 2 Slight | 3 Moderate | 4 Severe | 5 Very Severe |
| 1 Very Unlikely | LOW (1) | LOW (2) | LOW (3) | LOW (4) | LOW (5) |
| 2 Unlikely | LOW (2) | LOW (4) | LOW (6) | MEDIUM (8) | MEDIUM (10) |
| 3 | LOW (3) | LOW (6) | MEDIUM (9) | HIGH (12) | HIGH (15) |

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| Possible | | | | | |
| 4 Probable | LOW (4) | MEDIUM (8) | HIGH (12) | HIGH (16) | HIGH (20) |
| 5 Very Likely | LOW (5) | MEDIUM (10) | HIGH (15) | HIGH (20) | HIGH (25) |

Likelihood of occurrence X Severity of outcome = Risk Rating

Example:

Likelihood (possible 3) X Severity (Moderate 3) = Risk Rating (Medium 9)