

**DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
MANAGEMENT OF HEALTH & SAFETY AT WORK REGULATIONS
CHILDREN & YOUNGER ADULTS (CAYA)**



GENERAL HEALTH & SAFETY RISK ASSESSMENT FOR:

High Ropes Course and Climbing Tower

PART 1 : ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Section/Establishment Name: Lea Green Centre			
Date of Assessment	7/10/13	Date of Issue	1 January 2014
Assessment carried out by	Don Smith	Signature	

Reviews				
Review Date	Reviewed by	Date	Changes Made	
			Y	N
Nov/Dec 2014	Don Smith	17/11/14	Y	
Nov/Dec 2015	Paul Vardy	10/02/16	Y	
Nov/Dec 2017	Paul Vardy	07/12/16	N	
Nov/Dec 2018	Paul Vardy	24/09/17	Y	

Affected persons: Young People/Clients Staff Visitors Contractor Others (specify)

Name of Manager confirming and agreeing Assessment:	Ian Price
Signature:	

The following sections should be completed by all staff who need to be made aware of and abide by the findings of the Risk Assessment. NB: If, as a result of a review, changes are made to the Risk Assessment the relevant box on the attached page should be completed as appropriate by the staff concerned.

RISK ASSESSMENT

What are the hazards?	Generic Control Measures implemented	✓ X	Person to implement	Additional Control measures needed to reduce risk to an acceptable level	Person to implement	Date to be actioned
<p>Falling/slipping.</p> <p>Injury.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instructors must hold a relevant NGB or site specific accreditation. They must be aware of and comply with the centre operating procedures. • All Ropes course areas to be signed with appropriate warnings to the public. • Briefing of group. • Ability of group taken into account. • Appropriate footwear worn. • Attention of group drawn to specific hazards on each element. • Helmets to be worn by all group members. • Harnesses to be worn by those climbing. • Chest harness to be worn by participants on high ropes. • All participants tied in and this must be checked by an instructor. • Appropriate briefing given in relation to individual Activities. • Instructor must hold a current first aid certificate. • Group briefing on belaying. • Supervision of belayers, Especially up to the first level. • Group briefing on specific hazards for each element. • Group size and ratios suitable for conditions and abilities. 		Instructor leading the session	First aid kit to be accessible during session		

Injury sustained from suspension from chest harness.

Extremes of temperature.

Extreme weather; lightning strike.

Illness

Inappropriate behaviour

Safeguarding

Choking

- Regular inspection of all equipment undertaken.
- Removal from use of unsafe or defective equipment.
- Removal of loose clothing and jewellery.
- Tying back of long hair.
- Each climbers Knot to be checked by Instructor before leaving ground.

- Weather forecast obtained and previous conditions taken into account.
- Activity adapted or abandoned where appropriate.
- Ongoing risk assessment at start and during activity – weather conditions continually monitored.
- Equipment/clothing lists sent to groups.
- Individuals' kit checked before session to ensure adequate protective clothing and equipment.
- Suitable emergency equipment accessible.
- Session suspended in the event of an electrical storm.
- Information about existing medical conditions known by staff.

- Group briefing and management.
- Use of 'Sin Bin' facility or suspension of activity.

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- Staff vigilance.

- Group briefed to remove chewing

Session suspended in the case of electrical storm or winds in excess of Force 6 (25-30mph)

Those with known allergies/conditions to have access to own Inhaler, EpiPen or appropriate medication.

	gum/other food before session.					
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