

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



GENERAL HEALTH & SAFETY RISK ASSESSMENT FOR:

Upper and Lower 'Skyline' Ropes Course

PART 1 : ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Section/Establishment Name: Lea Green Centre

Date of Assessment

9/6/14

Date of Issue

9 June 2014

Assessment carried out by

Don Smith

Signature

Reviews

Review Date	Reviewed by	Date	Changes Made	
			Y	N
29.7.14	D Hawkins	29.7.14	Y	
Nov/Dec 2014	Don Smith	17/11/14	Y	
November 2016	Rory Sellar	9/11/16	Y	
November 2017	Rory Sellar	13/11/17		N

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. • Group briefing before session. • All Ropes course areas to be signed with appropriate warnings to the public. Skyline Ramp to be locked when not in use. • Briefing of group on attachment of lanyards and transfer across elements on lower section. • Ability of group taken into account. • Appropriate footwear worn. • Attention of group drawn to specific hazards on each element. • Harnesses to be worn by those accessing the 'Skyline'. • Any person on the platform must be attached to a lanyard and anchor point. • Helmets to be worn by all group members. • Use of chains to limit access to course and deter participants from stepping off platform. • Instructor must hold a current first aid certificate. • Group briefing on spacing on elements, and how some items will swing about. • Group briefing on specific hazards for each element. 		<p>Instructor leading the session, with support from visiting staff when present.</p>	<p>Rescue kit must be accessible by the instructor while on the platform during the activity</p> <p>First aid kit to be accessible during session</p> <p>Note; yellow metal ring section</p>		

Extremes of temperature.

Extreme weather; lightning strike.

Illness

Inappropriate behaviour

Safeguarding

Choking

- Group size and ratios suitable for conditions and abilities.
- Regular inspection of all equipment undertaken.
- Removal from use of unsafe or defective equipment.
- Removal of jewellery and securing of loose clothing.
- Tying back of long hair.

- 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/rescue equipment accessible.

- 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 gum/other food before session.

Activity abandoned if there is a threat of lightning.

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

Instructor to be aware of all groups on site during session