

**GENERAL HEALTH & SAFETY RISK ASSESSMENT FOR:** Team Swing

PART 1 : ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

<b>Section/Establishment Name:</b> Lea Green Centre			
<b>Date of Assessment</b>	20/11/15	<b>Date of Issue</b>	1 January 2016
<b>Assessment carried out by</b>	DS	<b>Signature</b>	

Reviews				
Review Date	Reviewed by	Date	Changes Made	
			Y	N
Nov/Dec 2021	IW,GN,DH,PV	10/11/21	Y	
Nov 22	IW/PV/GN	4/11/22		N
Nov 2023	IW,GN,DH,PV	14/11/23		N
Nov 2018	JC	7/11/18		N
Oct 19	PV	21/10/19	Y	
Dec 2020	GN	24/11/20		N

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

<b>Name of Manager confirming and agreeing Assessment:</b>	IP
<b>Signature:</b>	

**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><b>Safeguarding.</b></p> <p><b>Inappropriate behaviour.</b></p> <p><b>Illness.</b></p> <p><b>Falling/slipping.</b></p> <p><b>Injury.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Group briefing and management.</li> <li>• Staff vigilance.</li> <li>• Group briefing and management</li> <li>• Use of 'Sin Bin' facility or suspension of activity</li> <li>• Information about existing medical conditions known by staff.</li> <li>• Instructors must hold a site specific accreditation. They must be aware of and comply with the centre operating procedures.</li> <li>• All Ropes course areas to be signed with appropriate warnings to the public.</li> <li>• Ability and number within group taken into account.</li> <li>• Helmets to be worn by all.</li> <li>• Harnesses and chest harnesses to be worn by those accessing Team Swing.</li> <li>• Instructor must hold a current first aid certificate.</li> <li>• First aid kit to be accessible.</li> <li>• Helmets to be worn.</li> <li>• Regular inspection of all equipment undertaken.</li> </ul>	✓	Instructor leading the session	<p>Individuals to have access to own inhalers, Adrenalin injector or appropriate medication.</p> <p>Trolley and silver bar to be padlocked when Team Swing not in use.</p>		

<p><b>Extremes of Temperature.</b> <b>Extreme weather; lightning strike.</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Removal from use of unsafe or defective equipment.</li> <li>• Participants advised to remove jewellery. Ensure Lanyards/scarfs are removed or tucked away</li> <li>• Tying back of long hair.</li> <li>• Group briefing.</li> <li>• Instructors and participants made aware of danger zones around the swing and pro-traxion</li> <li>• Pull back rope moved out of way before hoisting</li> <li>• Pro-Traxion function tested before each haul and instructor ensures traxion has engaged before letting go of haul rope.</li> <li>• Haul rope speed should be controlled when lowering the haul system back down.</li> <li>• Participants told to stand clear of rope when lowering.</li>   <li>• Weather forecast obtained and previous conditions taken into account. Especially cross winds.</li> <li>• Activity abandoned when appropriate eg; during electrical storm.</li> <li>• Ongoing risk assessment at start and during activity – weather conditions continually monitored.</li> <li>• Equipment/clothing lists sent to groups.</li> <li>• Individuals' kit checked before session to ensure adequate protective clothing and equipment.</li> </ul>			<p>Exclusion zone identified before swing is operated and instructors and participants are made aware of why and the potential extremely serious consequences</p>		
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<p><b>Choking.</b></p> <p><b>Additional potential hazards associated with a person's disability</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Suitable emergency equipment accessible.</li> <li>• Group briefed to remove chewing gum/other food during activity.</li> <li>• Additional measures may need to be taken to enable visitors with a disability to access the area on site and engage with the activity.</li> </ul>			<p>A discussion with the participant along with visiting staff/carers should be had to decide on the most appropriate way to access the site.</p> <p>Additional staff may be required.</p> <p>Additional time may need to be factored into the session.</p> <p>Handling belts may be used to assist less ambulant users</p> <p>Less mobile visitors may be more sensitive to environmental conditions and need closer supervision</p> <p>For visitors with disabilities a discussion with the participant along with visiting staff/carer should be had to ensure the most appropriate PPE is worn.</p>		
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