

**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
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Assessment  
carried out by

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Signature

**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	3/11/22	N	
Nov 23	IW/GN/DH/PV	14/11/23		N
Dec 2024	IW GN	4/12/24		N
Oct 19	PV	27/09/19	Y	
Dec 20	GN	24/11/20	Y	

Affected persons:

Young People/Clients ☒

Staff ☒

Visitors ☒

Contractor ☐

Others (specify)

Name of Manager confirming and agreeing Assessment:

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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
<b>Safeguarding</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Group briefing and management.</li> <li>Staff vigilance.</li> </ul>		Instructor leading the session			
<b>Inappropriate behaviour</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Group briefing and management.</li> <li>Use of 'Sin Bin' facility or suspension of activity.</li> </ul>					
<b>Illness</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Information about existing medical conditions known by staff.</li> </ul>			Those with known allergies/conditions to have access to own Inhaler, Adrenalin auto injector or appropriate medication.		
<b>Injury.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Instructor must hold a current first aid certificate.</li> <li>Instructors must hold a relevant NGB or site-specific accreditation. They must be aware of and comply with the centre operating procedures.</li> <li>Briefing of group.</li> <li>Ability of group taken into account.</li> <li>Appropriate footwear worn.</li> <li>Attention of group drawn to specific hazards on each element.</li> <li>Helmets to be worn by all.</li> <li>Harnesses to be worn by participants on the climbing tower.</li> <li>Harness &amp; Chest harness to be worn by participants on high ropes.</li> <li>Group size and ratios suitable for</li> </ul>			First aid kit to be accessible during session		

	<p>conditions and abilities as per operating procedures</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All participants tied in and briefed that this must be checked by an instructor before leaving the ground</li> <li>• Regular inspection of all equipment undertaken.</li> <li>• Removal from use of unsafe or defective equipment.</li> <li>• Removal of loose clothing, jewellery, and anything from pockets. Ensure Lanyards/scarfs are removed or tucked away</li> <li>• Tying back of long hair.</li> <li>• Each climbers Knot to be checked by Instructor before leaving ground.</li> </ul>					
<b>Falling crates</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Group briefed to move away from falling crates and how to fend them off</li> <li>• Group briefed on how to pass crates appropriately</li> <li>• Crates stacked in a way to minimise falling towards belayers</li> <li>• Stackers to control the dismantling of the tower</li> </ul>					
<b>Falling/slipping.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Group briefing on the belaying system</li> <li>• Supervision of belayers, belaying Team must not be left until first level “back up” knot has been tied</li> <li>• All Ropes course areas to be signed with appropriate warnings to the public.</li> </ul>			<p>Back up knot tied in the tail end of rope near to gri gri when participant at the first level. rope stretch must be removed prior to tying knot</p> <p>Inspection personnel must ensure someone is aware they are on</p>		



				<p>appropriate PPE is worn.</p> <p>If our PPE is not suitable for the participant's needs, we may need to refuse participation for safety reasons</p> <p>Hoisting systems should be releasable from the ground.</p>		
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