

GENERAL HEALTH & SAFETY RISK ASSESSMENT FOR:

The Hex, Challenge Course and Equilibrium

PART 1 : ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

<p>Section/Establishment Name: Lea Green Centre</p>			
Date of Assessment	7/10/13	Date of Issue	1 January 2014
Assessment carried out by	DS	Signature	

Reviews				
Review Date	Reviewed by	Date	Changes Made	
			Y	N
Nov/Dec 2021	IW,GN,DH,PV	10/11/21		N
Nov 22	IW/GN/PV	3/11/22	Y	
Nov 23	IW/GN/DH/PV	14/11/23		N
Dec 2024	IW GN	4/12/24		N
Jan 26	GN	8/01/26		N
Dec 2020	GN	24/11/20		N

Affected persons:	Young People/Clients <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Staff <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Visitors <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Contractor <input type="checkbox"/>	Others (specify) <input type="text"/>
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Name of Manager confirming and agreeing Assessment:	IP
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>Falling/slipping.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Instructors must hold a site-specific accreditation.</li> <li>Briefing of group.</li> <li>Ability of group taken into account.</li> <li>Appropriate footwear worn.</li> </ul>		Instructor leading the session	<p>Briefing regarding tripping on new tyres put in place to reduce noise.</p>		
<b>Injury.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Instructor must hold a current first aid certificate.</li> <li>Group briefing on helping and support of other group members.</li> <li>Group briefed on how to approach and get on and off the equilibrium</li> <li>First aid kit to be accessible.</li> <li>Group briefing on specific hazards for each element.</li> <li>Group size and ratios suitable for conditions and abilities.</li> <li>Helmets to be worn by instructor, visiting staff and participants.</li> <li>Regular &amp; Pre-use inspection of all equipment undertaken.</li> <li>Removal from use of unsafe or defective equipment.</li> <li>Ensure Lanyards/scarfs are removed or tucked away</li> </ul>			<p>If the Hex is used by a non-Lea Green member of staff without a first aid certificate, there should be a qualified First Aider available on-site.</p>		

<b>Extremes of temperature.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Weather forecast obtained</li> <li>• Activity adapted where appropriate.</li> <li>• Ongoing risk assessment at start and during activity – weather conditions continually monitored.</li> <li>• Individuals reminded before session to ensure adequate protective clothing and equipment.</li> <li>• After heavy rain the elements can become VERY slippery</li> </ul>		<p>Those with known allergies/conditions to have access to own inhaler, auto injector pen or appropriate medication</p>	
<b>Illness.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information about existing medical conditions known by staff.</li> </ul>			
<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>		<p>Instructors to be aware of all groups on site during session.</p>	
<b>Safeguarding.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Group briefing and management.</li> <li>• Staff vigilance.</li> </ul>			
<b>Additional potential hazards associated with a person's disability</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <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>	

				Users of wheelchairs to have a carer/visiting staff member to aid control on the equilibrium.		
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