KCC Risk Assessment Form – The 5 steps approach





| Activity / Operation/ Event: Team building games Establishment: Kent Country Parks | | | | | Assessment Date: 25/08/15 Review Date: 24/08/16 | | | |
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| Identify the hazards | Who might be harmed & how? | What are you already doing? | Trivial/ low / medium / high / stop | Is anything further needed? | Action required | Responsible person | Date completed | |
| Weather | Group + Leader Hypothermia Sunburn | A general welfare and weather risk assessment completed | | | | ER | Ongoing | |
| Car Park | Group + Leader Collisions from traffic causing Injuries | Designated adults responsible for the behaviour of the group at all times. Education/Activity Ranger to show the designated adults a safe place for the children to stand whilst waiting for the group to congregate and the activity to begin. | LOW | Close supervision by designated adults. | | ER | Ongoing | |
| Drainpipe Game | Group + Leader Impact from ball Injury from pipe Trips/slips/falls Contact with other participants | Introduce activity and give verbal instruction Explain how to use equipment safely | LOW | Supervision of groups | | ER | Ongoing | |

| Magic Carpet Game | Group + Leader Contact with others Slips/trips & falls | Introduce activity and give verbal instruction | LOW | Supervision of groups | ER | Ongoing |
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| Walk the plank | Group + Leader Contact with other participants Falling from planks Slips/trips/falls | Introduce activity and give verbal instruction Choose level ground for activity to take place | LOW | Supervision of groups | ER | Ongoing |
| Shelter building | Group + Leader Injury from falling timber poles Contact with others Injury from carrying timber | Introduce activity and give verbal instruction about how to construct the shelter Verbal instruction about how to lift/manoeuvre timber | LOW | Supervision of groups | ER | Ongoing |
| Fire lighting | Group + Leader Burns Scalds Fire spreading | Introduce activity and give verbal instruction Demonstrate how to light fire/use equipment Demonstrate how to extinguish fire | LOW | Supervision of groups | ER | Ongoing |
| Geocaching | Group Slips/Trips/ Falls | Introduce activity and give verbal instruction Demonstrate how to use | MED | Check in groups on return | ER | Ongoing |

| | Getting lost | GPS Provide phone no for visitor centre Collect contact no for at least one group member of each group | | | | |
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| Insects and plants | Group + Leader Stings/Bites Anaphylactic shock | Stinging nettles removed where possible. Areas where there are known to be stinging insects or plants avoided. | MEDIUM | Close supervision by visiting staff. Allergies/medical conditions to be reported to the Leader and a copy of these along with any medication to be held by the lead visiting member of staff. | | |
| Fungi | Group + Leader Poisonous | Group to be shown what the fungi looks like and verbally warned not to touch it or put their hands near their mouths | MEDIUM | Close supervision by visiting staff | | |
| Toxic plants | Group + Leader Poisoning | Access to areas containing toxic plants to be restricted or group to be shown + warned of the plants. | MEDIUM | Close supervision by visiting staff | | |
| Uneven ground/slopes | Group + Leader Slips/Trips/Fall s/Sprains | Verbal warning to ensure the group are told to watch out for trip/slip hazards before activity | LOW | Close supervision by visiting staff | | |

| Signature | | | | Review Date: 24/08/16 | | | |
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| Assessor Name(s): Sarah Belsey | | | | Job Title: Education Ranger | | | |
| Fishing lakes | Hypothermia | The Group Leader ensures the group know that water is present on site as part of their safety brief. | | Close adult supervision | | | |
| Dog/wild animal faeces | Group + Leader Infection and disease | Ensure the group are aware of this potential problem. The Group Leader will carry antibacterial wipes in case of contact with animal faeces | LOW | Close supervision by visiting staff | | | |
| Litter and debris | Group + Leader Cuts, scratches etc | Litter removed during site check prior to session. Ensure the group are aware of potential hazards and investigate areas carefully if litter is observed. Inform the group not to touch it or remove. | LOW | Close supervision by visiting staff | | | |
| Low branches and trees | Group + Leader Banging and poking in eyes | Tree surveys of the site undertaken regularly. Hanging deadwood removed where deemed necessary. Verbal warning of any dangers that these hazards may pose. | LOW | Close supervision by visiting staff | | | |

| Step 1 | Step 2 | Step 3 | | Step 4 | Step 5 |
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| What are the hazards? | Who might be harmed and how? | What are you already doing? | Risk rating | Is anything further needed? | Action & Review |
| Spot hazards by: walking around your workplace asking those doing the task what they think checking manufacturers' instructions considering health hazards | Identify groups of people, consider: | List what is already in place to reduce the likelihood of harm or make any harm less serious, examples include: guarding training procedures, safe systems of work personal protective equipment (PPE) | Trivial, low, medium , high or stop (please see matrix below) | You need to make sure that you have reduced risks 'so far as is reasonably practicable'. An easy way of doing this is to compare what you are already doing with good practice. If there is a difference, list what needs to be done. | Remember to prioritise. Deal with those hazards that are high-risk and have serious consequences first. List: |