

Circus Skills

Activity Area: Allocated area
Staff/Pupil Ratio: 1:12
Staff Qualifications: In House Trained
Maximum Number of Participants: 20
Role of Accompanying Adult: Supervision of group

| Hazard | Outcome/Injury | Persons at Risk | Rating | Existing Controls |
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| Struck with the Diablo when thrown | Head or Bodily injury | Participants Instructors Observers | 2 - 3 | Demonstrate safe use with the equipment. Allocate a safe area to use the equipment. Don't allow the students to throw the equipment too high at the start. |
| Diablo strikes the lights/ shattered glass | Serious injury | Participants Instructors Observers | 3 - 3 | Demonstrate safe use with the equipment. Allocate a safe area to use the equipment. Don't allow the students to throw the equipment too high at the start. |
| Diablo lands on participants foot | Minor injury | Participants Instructors Observers | 4 - 3 | Before carrying out the activity make sure the participants are wearing suitable footwear. |
| Hitting someone with the Diablo sticks | Head or Bodily injury | Instructors Observers Participants | 3 - 3 | Demonstrate safe use with the equipment. Allocate a safe area to use the equipment. Do not play about with the equipment i.e. poke in the eye. |
| Juggling balls/bags splitting and beans getting into eyes | Serious injury Minor injury to the eye | Instructors Observers Participants | 3 - 3 | Regularly do safety checks on the equipment making sure the seams are not fraying. Allocate a safe area to store the equipment |
| Juggling balls/bags splitting and beans getting inhaled or ingested causing choking | Death Serious injury | Participants | 3 - 1 | Regularly do safety checks on the equipment making sure the seams are not fraying. Allocate a safe area to store the equipment. Staff having First Aid knowledge. |
| Struck with the Devil Stick when in use | Head or Bodily injury | Participants Instructors Observers | 3 - 3 | Demonstrate safe use with the equipment. Allocate a safe area to use the equipment. Do not allow the participants to throw the equipment too high or get carried away at the start. |
| Devil Stick dropped on foot | Minor injury | Participants | 4 - 4 | Before carrying out the activity make sure the participants are wearing suitable footwear. |
| Hitting someone with the Devil stick sticks | Head or Bodily injury | Instructors Observers Participants | 3 - 3 | Demonstrate safe use with the equipment. Allocate a safe area to use the equipment. Do not play about with the equipment i.e. poke in the eye. |
| Struck in face with Spinning Plate | Serious/Minor injury | Participants Instructors Observers | 2 - 3 | Demonstrate safe use with the equipment. Allocate a safe area to use the equipment. |

WALESBY FOREST RISK ASSESSMENT

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| Poked in the eye with Spinning Plate stick | Serious/Minor injury | Instructors Observers Participants | 3 - 3 | Demonstrate safe use with the equipment. Allocate a safe area to use the equipment. Do not play about with the equipment i.e. poke in the eye. |
| Struck with the juggling balls/bags | Minor injury | Participants Instructors Observers | 3 - 4 | Demonstrate safe use with the equipment. Allocate a safe area to use the equipment. Do not allow the participants to throw the equipment too high or get carried away at the start. Only give them soft balls/bags to juggle with. |
| Adverse weather conditions | Exposure | Participants Instructors Observers | 3 - 4 | Weather reports monitored. Activity stopped during electrical storms, high winds and heavy rain. |

Key

Rating: Likelihood (1 = Very High, 2 = High, 3 = Medium, 4 = Low) - Consequence (1 = Fatal 2 = Major Injury 3 = Minor Injury 4 = No Injury)