

Search & Rescue

Activity Area: Centre Grounds
Minimum Staffing Level: 1 Instructor or Teacher or Leader
Staff/Pupil Ratio: 1:20
Staff Qualifications: In House Trained
Maximum Number of Participants: N/A
Role of Accompanying Adult: Spotter / Helper

Hazard	Outcome/Injury	Persons at risk	Rating	Existing Controls
Uneven surfaces	Trips, Falls, Cuts, Grazes, Bruises	Participants	3 - 3	Participants encouraged not to run. Instructors issue warnings with regards to hazardous areas.
Vehicles	Death Serious Injury	Participants	3 - 1	Speed limit imposed on vehicles driving on site. Participants reminded of out of bounds areas prior to activity commencing.
Disorientation	Participants become lost, participants enter out of bound areas	Participants	3 - 4	Participants stay together in groups. Teacher/Leader accompanies groups where possible. Instructors position themselves to see as much of course where possible. Boundaries explained. Instructor vigilance.
Cold and/or Wet conditions	Slips	All	4 - 4	Instructor to check that all participants have suitable clothing prior to commencing the activity. Instructors must always wear appropriate clothing.
Location of activity	Serious injury to persons	Instructors Participants	3 - 4	First Aid kit available. VHF radio and mobile phone used to maintain contact with Reception. Off-site procedure in place.
Heavy Lifting	Back Injury, Muscle strain	Participants	2 - 2	Instructors are to choose a lighter person to need rescuing later Instructor must explain to participants how to carry the stretcher correctly
Damaged equipment	Cuts to hands	Instructors Participants	4 - 3	Equipment checked for damage prior to use. All equipment checked weekly
Hyperthermia / Hypothermia	Serious Injury	Instructors Participants	3 - 2	Appropriate clothing, time out of sun, fluid breaks.
Lightening and/or storms	Electrocution	All	3 - 1	Instructor is not to run the session in any serious storm. If caught out during a lightening storm, then the instructor must cease the activity immediately and seek appropriate shelter.
High winds	Slips/Falls	Instructors Participants	3 - 3	Instructor to monitor weather & suspend or cancel session when wind conditions cause safety to be affected.
Sun	Sunburn	All	3 - 4	Instructor/Leader must ensure that they make the group aware of the dangers relating to the sun i.e. heatstroke & sunburn. Instructor/Leader to ensure that the group have suitable clothing, e.g. long sleeves, trousers and sun hat.

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