

CENTRAL YORKSHIRE SCOUT COUNTY

RISK ASSESSMENT FOR RESIDENTIAL VISITS

RISK ASSESSMENT FOR: CAMPING

NAME OF DISTRICT/GROUP:

NAME OF PERSON COMPLETING/UPDATING RISK ASSESSMENT:

DATE OF ASSESSMENT/UPDATE:



The aim of a generic risk assessment is to provide general information on the type of hazards adults and young members (as well as others who may be involved) are exposed to.

The list given is by no means an exhaustive one. Hazards which are not listed but are specific to your visit should be recorded on the blank assessment form.

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RISK CALCULATOR

Likelihood 	<i>Unlikely</i>	<i>Possible</i>	<i>Likely</i>
Consequence 			
<i>Slightly harmful</i>	Trivial	Acceptable	Moderate
<i>Harmful</i>	Acceptable	Moderate	Substantial
<i>Extremely harmful</i>	Moderate	Substantial	Unacceptable

RISK CONTROL TABLE

Risk Level	Control
Trivial and Acceptable	No action required – keep note that risk has been identified as trivial in case it is brought up in a civil claim
Moderate	If it is reasonably practicable to undertake some action to reduce the level of risk this should be done. If the risk is moderate because the consequences are extremely harmful it is unlikely that there can be any further reduction without significant effort. Ensure there is a suitable system in place. Continue to monitor.
Substantial and Unacceptable	Action must be taken to remove or reduce the risk. If action cannot reduce or remove the level of risk the activity should be undertaken. If this level arises as the result of a Decision Making assessment the activity should cease immediately.

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Fire	Young members, Leaders and other adult helpers	Unacceptable	<p>No cooking allowed in or within two metres of tents.</p> <p>No smoking or naked flames, eg candles etc, in or around tents.</p> <p>Tilley lamps not to be used, battery lanterns or torches used instead.</p> <p>Liquid fuel for stoves to be kept away from ignition sources, stoves only filled by competent adult when stove is cold.</p> <p>Gas bottles for stoves only to be changed by competent adult when stove cold.</p> <p>Stoves only to be lit and supervised by competent adult.</p> <p>Campfires must be properly located, taking into account the local conditions including siting of tents/buildings, trees etc. Consideration should be given to weather conditions (wind direction etc). The size of the fire should be controlled and suitable for its location.</p> <p>Campfires may only be lit with the agreement of the landowner.</p> <p>Distance of at least two metres shall be</p>	Moderate	

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			<p>maintained between campfire and young members. If fire starts spitting then young members will be moved to a safe location.</p> <p>Liquid accelerants must not be used under any circumstances to light fires.</p> <p>Young members not allowed to put fuel on lit campfire.</p> <p>Camp fires only to be lit by competent adult.</p> <p>Fire fighting medium shall be available for all cooking stoves and campfires, eg, water buckets, appropriate extinguishers etc. The amount available shall be appropriate to the size of stoves/camp fires.</p> <p>Stoves shall be checked thirty minutes after turning off to ensure cold with no spread of fire.</p> <p>Campfires shall be doused before bed times and checked thirty minutes after to ensure no spread of fire.</p> <p>Hay and straw bails not to be used as seating around camp fires.</p>		

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Slips, trips and falls	Young members, Leaders and other adult helpers	Substantial	<p>Areas around tents to be designated as non-activity areas.</p> <p>Tent pegs to be knocked flush to the ground to prevent trips.</p> <p>Guide ropes to be highlighted where they present a trip hazard.</p> <p>Flag poles and masts shall not be climbed.</p> <p>Site to be inspected for rabbit/fox/mole holes etc.</p> <p>No climbing of trees.</p> <p>Site to be inspected for sloping ground or unguarded edges and on-site holes and restricted areas designated.</p>	Moderate	
Lost/abduction	Young members	Substantial	<p>Security of the site to be assessed with regard to strangers etc on site. Security patrols of the site by adults as appropriate.</p> <p>All tents to be checked at bedtime to ensure young members are all present. Adults to be alert and patrol tents until all young members settled.</p>	Moderate	

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			<p>Young members not allowed to wander off site without supervision.</p> <p>If young members are allowed to leave the site unsupervised, generic remote supervision risk assessments to be followed.</p>		
Food poisoning		Substantial	<p>Storage of food to follow best practice as in full time establishments.</p> <p>Perishables to be refrigerated. If refrigeration not available then food only purchased immediately prior to use.</p> <p>Consider cook to be qualified to basic food hygiene certificate level.</p> <p>Food stuffs to be securely stored to prevent insect and animal infestation.</p> <p>Appropriate facilities for disposal of waste to be established.</p>	Moderate	
Poor Hygiene		Moderate	<p>Choose site appropriate to type, age and experience of young members with regard to hygiene, ie, running water, washing facilities, toilets etc.</p> <p>Young members not to empty portable toilets.</p>	Acceptable	

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			Young members not allowed to fill in ground toilets.		

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Adverse weather	Young members, Leaders and other adult helpers	Substantial	Appropriate locations to be chosen for campsite with regard to season and young members experience.	Moderate	
Sunstroke/ Hypothermia	Young members, Leaders and other adult helpers	Substantial	<p>Use of sunshades and natural shaded areas in strong sunlight.</p> <p>Long sleeves, long trousers and sun hats or umbrellas may be appropriate in the strongest sunlight.</p> <p>High factor sun block to be applied to exposed skin which cannot be covered.</p> <p>Plenty of cool drinks to be available in hot weather.</p> <p>Appropriate wet and cold weather clothing to be provided and worn as necessary</p>	Moderate	

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District/Group Identified Risks for Camping: -

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Events / Circumstances that could increase risk:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Attendance of other parties of youngsters ◆ Large numbers of people at the venue

Other appropriate risk assessments to consider are: - Remote Supervision, activities & walking in the Countryside.

Please ensure the following people have been informed of the risk assessment by the most appropriate means:	<input type="checkbox"/> All Leaders / Assistants <input type="checkbox"/> Home Contact <input type="checkbox"/> Parents <input type="checkbox"/> Young members	
Have adults been instructed to report newly identified hazards at post visit meeting?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Details of newly identified hazards.
Assessment frequency:	Prior, during and after any visits	
Assessment Dates:		
Date:	Signed:	

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