Risk Assessment Form

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Whitwell Hall Country Centre Date of Assessment: 23/03/2019

Description: Pioneering
Groups are taught the basics of lashings and knots and work in teams to build a moving object

Hazards: List significant hazards that may result in serious harm or affect people in the party	Who might be harmed? List groups of people who are especially at risk from the hazards identified.	Is the risk adequately controlled? List existing controls or note where information may be found, e.g., information, instruction, training, systems or procedures.	What further actions are needed to control the risk? List the risks that are not adequately controlled and propose actions that are needed to reduce or eliminate the risks.
See General Hazards I, II, III, IV.			
Danger of participants becoming lost after wandering off from group.	Participants	Boundaries of activity clearly defined.	
Risk of participants being injured as a result of wood used for building	Participants	 Initial briefing to tell participants to carry wood as pairs and to use materials sensibly. All ends of poles painted white so can be seen easily 	
Risk of splinters from wood	Participants	Participants are warned and poles are checked regularly for damage	

Risk of injury to participants due attachments failing/falling off or hit by projectile	Participants	 No one to stand under moving parts. Structure checked before use. Safety of object talked about before use. 	
Risk of rope burn	Participants	 Instructions given on safe use of rope. Gloves available if required. 	
Risk of injury due to faulty equipment (ropes/poles)	Participants	 Equipment checked before each session for wear and tear. Ropes and Poles to be replaced when showing any signs of wear/damage. All pole ends painted white so can be easily seen. 	
Inappropriate use of equipment	Participants	 Groups under supervision during duration of activity. Activity will be stopped or offender removed if deemed appropriate by activity staff. 	