LEAVING THE GROUND RISK ASSESSMENT

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|  |  | **HAZARD** | **PERSONS AT RISK** | **EXISTING PREVENTATIVE MEASURES** | **PROBABILITY**  **(P) 1-5** |  | **SEVERITY**  **(S) 1-5** | **RATING**  **(P) X (S) 1-25** | **WHAT MEASURES NEED TO BE TAKEN** | **BY WHO** |
| **1** |  | Weather | Group and leader | A General Welfare & Weather Risk Assessment completed. |  |  |  |  | The group will be fully equipped to deal with potential dangers arising from poor weather and welfare issues. | TD needs to check weather forecasts and ensure all safety equipment is in position. |
| **2** |  | Woodland site hazards | Group and leader | Woodland Site specific Risk Assessment completed. |  |  |  |  | The group will be made aware of aspects highlighted in the Woodlands Site Risk Assessment. | TD is to ensure that aspects from woodlands site risk assessment are highlighted. |
| **3** |  | Head injury | Group | Any person leaving the ground from any distance must wear a helmet. | 2 |  | 4 | 4 | The group must understand that the helmet will be worn.  All helmets will have an effective chin strap and checked that they are adjusted to fit correctly. | TD to ensure the helmet is fastened and worn/adjusted correctly. |
| **4** |  | Lifting | Group lifting | Lifting procedure is followed to prevent back injuries or strains. | 1 |  | 4 | 4 | The group to be aware and practise the lifting procedure. | TD to control at all times. |
| **5** |  | Being dropped by the group | Group and leader | Lifting procedures to be followed correctly. | 1 |  | 4 | 4 | Group need to understand the lifting procedure. | TD to be in control of the whole activity. |
| **6** |  | Hitting the ground | Group and leader | The area selected for these activities is soft with any stones, branches and debris removed. | 2 |  | 3 | 6 | Group need to understand the lifting procedure. | TD to control activity at all times. |
| **7** |  | Walking into ropes and entanglement | Group and leader | See Ropes and String Activity Risk Assessment.  Ropes will be made out of bright materials. | 2 |  | 3 | 6 | Groups using ropes will avoid putting them where people could walk into them. | TD will advise the group how to avoid putting ropes at potentially dangerous heights. |
| **8** |  | Pulleys failing | Group and leader | All equipment is checked regularly to meet specified standards. | 1 |  | 4 | 4 | TD will check any pulleys being used and will decommission a pulley if a defect has occurred or found. | TD to check equipment before use. |
| **9** |  | Ropes failing | Group and leader | All equipment is checked regularly to meet specified standards. | 1 |  | 4 | 4 | TD must check ropes before each session and decommission if any defects are detected. | TD to ensure all equipment is in working order before use. |