

Skreens Park Activity Centre – Risk Assessment - Climbing

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Location: Climbing tower (on site)

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This document consists of 2 pages.

Severity 0 – 10, Likelihood 0 –10, Rating 0 – 100

0 being the lowest possible value

Rating = Likelihood X Severity

All Hazards should fall within the adequately controlled category or lower.

Hazard	At risk	Control measures	Severity	Likelihood	Rating	Further Action
Slips, trips and falls	All	Group control. Group instructed to be careful when moving around site.	4	3	12	Adequately Controlled
Falling from height	Participants	<p>Instructors are assessed to the Scout Climbing permit level or the Girl Guide level 1 permit by a Climbing and abseiling assessor with a minimum qualification of MIA. As well as site specific training by chief instructor or another suitably qualified member of staff with a minimum qualification of SPA.</p> <p>Participants should not to begin climbing until the instructor in charge has checked that they are correctly attached to the appropriate belaying system.</p> <p>Instructor to ensure belay ropes are sufficiently tight at all times.</p> <p>The dead end of the rope to be tailed by a responsible adult.</p> <p>All personnel using the wall must use a correctly fitting helmet and harness.</p> <p>Participants descent to be controlled by instructor.</p> <p>Groups limited to 12 participants per hour to ensure that correct supervision can be provided.</p>	8	2	16	Adequately controlled
Objects falling from above	All	Helmets worn by all. Participants advised to tie shoelaces and empty pockets before climbing.	4	3	12	Adequately controlled
Equipment failure	All	<p>All equipment checked by instructors prior to use. And also checked and logged monthly. All equipment usage is logged and all harnesses and Ropes are replaced when required or after a max of 5 years service.</p> <p>Tower to be inspected annually by manufacturer.</p> <p>Holds to be checked and tightened monthly or as required</p>	8	2	16	Adequately controlled
Contact with wall during descent	Participants	Correct technique described by instructor. Instructors trained in rescue techniques.	3	4	12	Adequately Controlled

Adverse Weather Conditions	All	Activity stopped during Electrical Storms, Heavy Rain and High Wind	8	1	8	Trivial Risk
Horseplay	All	Activity to be supervised by a instructor, leader or Responsible adults. Session to be stopped if behaviour prevents the instructor's effective supervision of the group.	6	2	12	Adequately Controlled
Rope burn	Participants	Participants instructed on correct belay technique. Instructor to control lower off.	3	3	9	Trivial Risk
Entrapment	Participants	Long hair tied back at beginning of the session. Lose clothing such as scarves removed prior to belaying or climbing. Jewellery removed at beginning of the session. Rings must be removed at the beginning of the session. Rings that cannot be removed should be tapped over	5	3	15	Adequately Controlled
Splinters	Participants	Climbing wall to be inspected monthly for defects	3	4	12	Adequately Controlled

Rating:	81-100	61-80	41-60	21-40	11-20	0-10	Code
Action:	Immediate action	Action within 1 week	Not adequately controlled	Further investigation	Adequately controlled	Trivial risk	RA11a