

RISK ASSESSMENT

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| Activity | Collecting Natural Materials for Forest School Activities | | Date Completed | |
| Originator | | | Reviewed | |
| Job Title | | | | |
| Checked By | | | | |
| Job Title | | | Date for Review | |

L=Likelihood **S**=Severity **DR**=Degree of Risk (Before any controls in place) **RR**=Residual Risk (Risk remaining after controls in place)

| ACTIVITY | PERSON AT RISK | SIGNIFICANT HAZARDS | RISK | | | RISK CONTROL MEASURES | RESIDUAL RISK | | |
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| | | | L | S | DR | | L | S | RR |
| Collecting natural materials for craft activities | Users, Forest School Practitioners and helpers, members of the public | Slips, trips and falls on uneven ground leading to injuries | 3 | 3 | 9 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pre-site visit form completed. Site risk assessment checked. Liaise with group leader to ascertain numbers in group, any medical issues, allergies and/or behavioral issues. Group well supervised. Area for activity selected to avoid obvious hazards. Brief group of any known areas that may present safety issues. | 1 | 3 | 3 |
| As above | As above | Search sites may contain plants and fungi which can lead to allergic reactions and/or illness. | 2 | 4 | 8 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pre-visit site check completed and plant hazardous areas identified and avoided. Group fully briefed about the poisonous/inedible properties of some plants and fungi. Liaise with group leader to ascertain numbers in group, any medical issues, allergies and/or behavioral issues. Group well supervised. Ensure there are facilities for hand washing. Ensure there is a working mobile telephone, trained | 1 | 4 | 4 |

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| | | | | | | first aider and a stocked first aid box with each group. | | | |
| As above | As above | Search sites may contain stinging or biting insects which may lead to allergic reactions or illness | 2 | 3 | 6 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-visit site check completed and inspected for wasp/ant nests. • Group fully briefed and aware of potential “stingers” bees, wasps and hornets. • Liaise with group leader to ascertain numbers in group, any medical issues, allergies and/or behavioral issues. • Group well supervised. • Ensure there is a working mobile telephone, trained first aider and a stocked first aid box with each group. | 1 | 3 | 3 |
| As above | As above | Search sites may bring contact with soil borne diseases, dog waste, sheep droppings leading to sickness | 2 | 4 | 8 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-visit site check completed and inspected for dog/sheep waste. • Ensure there are facilities for hand washing. • Group fully briefed about not putting fingers in mouths and not to eat or drink until hands have been washed. • Protective gloves used if there is extensive sampling of soil. • Group fully briefed about possibility of dog waste, sheep droppings. | 1 | 4 | 4 |