

Hautbois Risk Assessment

Activity: Low Ropes	Assessor: Abbie Stewardson	Date: January 2019	Tech Advisor: Abbie Stewardson
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Description: Low Ropes takes place in the wooded area on Lime Pits. Groups complete a course comprising different elements, 2 feet off the ground. Ration of 1:12.

SR= Severity Rating; 5 (Catastrophic) 4 (Major) 3 (Moderate) 2 (Minor) 1 (None)

LH=Likelihood Rating 5 (Almost certain) 4 (Likely) 3 (Possible) 2 (Unlikely) 1 (Insignificant)

RR= Risk Rating; H (High) M (Medium) L (Low) I (Insignificant)

Significant Hazard	Who Might be Harmed and How	Existing Controls	Severity	Likelihood	Risk Rating
Falling off the wire rope or platform	Participants - may lose balance while on platform or wire; minor injuries may occur	Leader supervision at all times. Operating Procedure followed, all participants spotted by each other. Helmets to be worn by all in activity area. Full briefing delivered by instructor prior to session start. Signage on each obstacle to indicate safe use and hazards. All participants suitably dressed for the activity. Obstacle safety assessed in icy weather.	2	3	M
Being hit by falling objects	Participants or Instructors - loose branches may come down in wind	Hard hat area clearly signed and enforced. Deadfall checks before session start. Session suspended in high winds as high-risk area.	2	2	L
Equipment failure	Participants - wires or ropes snapping; participants falling.	Weekly/monthly/checks carried out and recorded. Wire check record kept and monitored by senior instructor and activities manager.	2	1	L
Fallen on	Participants and Instructors - participants falling off wire or platform onto people below them.	Clients taught to spot correctly, to be made aware of being vigilant, and not to walk under participants. Participants fully briefed on safe operation and monitored throughout.	2	2	L
Debris in operation area	Participants- landing on debris when dismounting from wall.	Area is cleared at the beginning of the session, and during session as required.	2	2	L

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<p>Minor injuries - cuts and bruises</p>	<p>Participants - playing games on obstacles</p>	<p>Games to be supervised and controlled by leader/instructor Safe Operating Procedure followed, spotted by each other</p> <p>Finger trap signs displayed to highlight obstacles that may cause an injury if not operated correctly.</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>L</p>
<p>Falling off of the obstacles- bosun's chair</p>	<p>Participants- may lose balance whilst using the bosun's chair obstacle.</p>	<p>Participants briefed to sit down when using the bosun's chair, and to stand clear when the chair is in use.</p> <p>All obstacles to be used with only one participant at a time as indicated by their individual sign.</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>L</p>

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