

Hesley Wood Activity Centre
Obstacle Course Risk Assessment

Hazard	People at Risk	Control measure	Review
Apparatus/equipment structural failure	Participants	1. All obstacles to be inspected and logged in accordance with the site inspection and replacement policy.	30/11/2020
Participating in obstacle course 1. Hit from above 2. Participant banging head 3. Person falling off obstacle	Participants	1. Helmets worn by everyone participating 2. Only one person on an obstacle at a time when climbing is involved 3. All participants briefed in correct use of all obstacles	
Adverse Weather	All involved	1. Sessions to be cancelled during heavy rain storms or winds 2. Ongoing risk assessment to be carried out during the session in muddy/wet conditions whereby obstacles may be omitted if conditions deteriorate.	
Poor visibility – increased risk of impact injuries after dark	Participants	1. Obstacle course sessions never run after dusk without sufficient artificial lighting.	
Instructor ie. Instructor error	Participants	1. All instructors to attend and pass in-house training.	
Hazards arising from the actions of group members ie. Overcrowding and disorderly behaviour	Everyone involved with the session.	1. Group leader in attendance 2. Max group size – 10. 3. If overcrowding of the area occurs refer to Emergency Action Process for overcrowding. 4. If the behaviour of the group becomes disorderly refer to Emergency Action Process Disorderly behaviour.	