

## COVID-19 restarting face-to-face Scouts risk assessment

Name of section or activity	<b>ZIP LINE</b>	Date of risk assessment	01/06/2023	Name of person doing this risk assessment	Luke Joseph	COVID-19 readiness level	See Covid Alert notification
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What hazard have you identified? What are the risks from it?	Who is at risk?	Risk Level Low – L Medium – M High - H	How are the risks already controlled? What extra controls are needed?	What's changed that needs to be thought about and controlled?
Equipment failure	Participants	L	All equipment to be inspected before setting up and logged in accordance with the site inspection and replacement policy.	
Weather: sessions may become dangerous due to adverse weather conditions	All involved	M	Sessions may have to be cancelled during periods of heavy rain and storms/winter weather.	
Hazards arising from the actions of group members i.e. 1. Unauthorised entry into the main runway. 2. Falling down banking 3. Participant hitting another person on the way down 4. Participant landing hard	All involved	M	1. Platform gate secured to stop unauthorised use. 2. Area fenced off and group warned of any hazards. 3. Visual checks for bystanders in main runway before letting the participant go. 4. Brake Rope manned by a suitable person.  No participants allowed on to platform until the instructor is ready.	
Hazards arising from the actions of group members i.e. Over crowding Disorderly behaviour.	All involved	M	1. Adult leader must be present during sessions. 2. Max group size of 12 participants 3. If overcrowding of the area occurs, then refer to Emergency Action Plan (EAP). If group member's behaviour becomes dangerous follow the EAP for Disorderly behaviour	

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Collision at the bottom of the Zip Wire	Participants Brake operator	M	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A maximum weight limit is set at 11 stone (70kg). Mentioned during briefing.</li> <li>2. A tyre and wire shackles are placed on the end of the run to stop the trolley as an emergency brake system a set distance from the supporting tree.</li> <li>3. Brake operator must ensure the karabiner screw gate is locked back onto the brake line from the static rope before the next participant leaves the platform and signal to the instructor when they are ready for the next participant.</li> <li>4. Make sure that the brake operator is in a safe position where they will not come into contact with the brake line or participant in front of the brake line.</li> </ol>	
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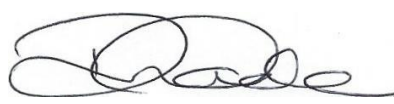
The following precautions apply when Covid alert is changed from Green

Hygiene Risk of Spread	All	L	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hand Sanitize.</li> <li>2. Check Harness side by side.</li> <li>3. Move onto seat side by side. Instructor to check harness from side with participants looking opposite way.</li> <li>4. Instructor to wear a mask and face shield during sessions.</li> <li>5. Lower zip line operator to wear a mask and face shield</li> <li>6. Participant to be held at bottom of zip by tether and encouraged to unclip themselves. Where this is not possible the lower operator should do it from the side.</li> <li>7. Instructor to clip participants into Harness while participant looking opposite way.</li> <li>8. Where a group is moving on to another activity requiring Helmets/Harnesses they will take same equipment with them. clean after each use.</li> </ol>	
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Maintaining Social Distancing	All	L	Group Leader to manage participants who are waiting for their turn. 2 metre marking in waiting areas.	
Track and Trace	All	L	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Group to provide Hesley Wood with a list of participants in each activity group, to be retained for 21 days.</li> <li>Group Leader to notify Hesley Wood if any participant becomes a confirmed Covid-19 case after event.</li> </ol>	

<b>Checked by Line Manager</b>	Andy Moore Operations Director 06/06/2023 	<b>Checked by County Executive</b>	Name: Role and level: Date: 08/06/2023 
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