



ADventure Learning North-East Limited

Risk Assessment Form

SITE/ LOCATION: School Environment

ASSESSORS NAME: .Andrew Devereux.....

ASSESSORS SIGNATURE:

ASSESSMENT DATE: .27/01/16.....

ACTIVITY: Knife and Axe

HEAD COACH and DIRECTOR: .Andrew Devereux.....

PROCEDURES:

1. Identify potential hazards which could reasonably be expected to result in significant harm
2. Identify who might be harmed
3. Consider existing controls - is the risk of significant harm low/ unlikely, medium/ possible or high/ probable
4. Where the risk is identified as medium or high, identify the action required
5. If the risk is low, further precautions are optional and the activity may proceed
6. Where the risk is medium, it is desirable that further precautions are taken before the activity proceeds
7. If the risk is high, it is essential that the activity does not proceed until the risk has been significantly reduced



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| TASKS UNDERTAKEN: activity/ area assessed | HAZARDS IDENTIFIED: NB: Any serious or imminent danger will need a procedure | RISK: Low/ Medium/ High | PERSON(S) AT RISK: i.e. coach, juniors, adults with special needs | EXISTING CONTROLS: | ADDITIONAL CONTROL MEASURES REQUIRED: | TARGET DATE: for action by | COMPLETED ON: date and initial |
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| Staffing and ratios | Abuse of knives resulting in Injury | Low | All | Knives only to be used in supervised small groups (5 children) with a minimum of 1 supervising adult | | On-going | On-going |
| Access to knives when not in use | Child gets hold of knife and injures themselves or someone else | Low | All | Knives kept in locked box until required | | | |
| Group control | Injury from knife | Low | All | All members of group are seated on individual chairs in a circle and separated. Instructor in the circle with a clear view of everyone. If a second adult is present they will be on opposite side of circle to instructor. | | | |
| Inappropriate Behavior | Injury from knife | Medium | All | All sessions start with a safety briefing explaining risks and how they will be | Session will be terminated | | |



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| | | | | mitigated. This includes expected standard of behavior | while child is removed from the group | | |
| Use of knife to whittle stick | Injury from knife | Low | All | Close supervision throughout the activity. No body part between the knife and the floor. Stick is marked to separate holding and cutting area | | ongoing | Ongoing |
| In the event of Injury | Injury has occurred | | All | Session terminated – all knives away. Immediate First Aid applied before child is moved Child removed and further aid /ambulance called as necessary | First Aid kit with the group. | ongoing | Ongoing |

Continuous dynamic risk assessment will take place during every session by a qualified and experienced member of staff