Belchamps Scout Centre – Risk Assessment Form

Type of Assessment: climbing and ascending rope Location: Upper Hall

Date assessed: November 2016 Date to be reviewed: November 2017

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Hazard	Who might be harmed	Existing Controls	Severity Factor 1-10	Likelihood 1-10	Rating (SxL)	What further action is required to control risk
Falling	Participants	Instructors are assessed to the Scout Climbing permit level or the Girl Guide level 1 permit by a Climbing and abseiling assessor with a minimum qualification of MIA. All personnel using the rope climb must use correctly fitting helmet and harness. Participants descent controlled by instructor via safety rope. Groups limited to 12 participants to ensure that correct supervision can be provided.	8	2	16	Adequately controlled
Objects falling from above	All	Helmets worn by all. Participants advised to tie shoelaces and empty pockets before climbing.	4	3	12	Adequately controlled
Rope/ Wire Burns	Participants	Instructors advise participants to keep their hands away from moving ropes	3	2	6	Trivial Risk
Equipment failure	All	All equipment checked by instructors prior to use. And also checked and logged monthly. All equipment usage is logged and all harnesses and ropes are replaced after a max of 5 years	8	2	16	Adequately controlled
Inverting on decent	Participants	Participants provided with chest harness, seat harness and helmets. The chest harness reduces the risk of inversion.	8	2	16	Adequately Controlled
Horseplay	All	The session is supervised by a qualified instructor.	6	2	12	Adequately Controlled

Rating:	81-100	61-80	41-60	21-40	11-20	0-10	Code
Action:	Immediate action	Action within 1 week	Not adequately controlled	Further investigation	Adequately controlled	Trivial risk	RA11f