

## Belchamps Scout Centre – Risk Assessment Form

Type of Assessment: **Traversing element** location: **Activity Area**

Date assessed: November 2016

Date to be reviewed: November 2017

Assessed by: Michael Barrett

Signed:



Print: Michael Barrett

Hazard	Who might be harmed	Existing Controls	Severity Factor 1-10	Likelihood 1-10	Rating (SxL)	What further action is required to control risk
Slipping and tripping	All	Participants advised of risks prior to use. All equipment and area checked prior to use. Monthly inspections carried out and logged.	4	4	16	Adequately controlled
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 activity 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
Unauthorised Access	All	Safety ropes are kept in a padlocked cupboard. Climbing equipment is kept in separate cupboard.	8	2	16	Adequately controlled
Objects falling from above	All	Helmets worn by all. Participants advised to tie shoelaces and empty pockets before climbing.	3	4	12	Adequately controlled
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
Horseplay	All	All Activity supervised by an instructor	6	2	12	Adequately Controlled
Adverse Weather Conditions	All	Activity stopped during Electrical Storms, Heavy Rain and High Wind (refer to wind risk assessment)	8	1	8	Trivial Risk
Inverting on decent	Participants	Participants provided with chest harness, seat harness and helmets. The chest harness reduces	8	2	16	Adequately Controlled

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