



Risk Assessment Form

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Hazard	Who might be harmed	Controls	After controls			What further action is required to control risk
			Severity 1-10	Likelihood 1-10	Rating (SxL)	
Falling	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Instructors all hold Scout Climbing Permits or receive inhouse training by designated individuals and have reviewed the Operating Procedure for the wall. Qualified instructors check equipment prior to use. Qualified instructors check harnesses for correct fit prior to climbing. Only qualified instructors may clip climbers to the auto belay devices. Only auto belay devices provided by Belchamps are permitted. No other form of belaying is permitted on the wall. 	10	2	20	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Foam matting provided. - All equipment inspected as per the manufacturer's instructions. 				
Object falling from above.	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wall checked regularly by instructors. - Wall inspected by a 3rd party every 12 months. - No slip on shoes permitted, climbers reminded to tie shoes. - Only 3 climbers are permitted within the climbing area. 	6	3	18	
Equipment Failure	Participant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All equipment inspected and replaced as per the manufacturer's instructions. - All equipment inspected prior to use. - 6 monthly inspections completed by a competent person. - Auto Belays serviced by the manufacturer every 12 months. 	10	2	20	

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Contact with wall during descent.	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - High risk contact areas covered with padding. - Instructors trained in rescue techniques in the event of snagging. 	6	2	12	
Horseplay	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Activity supervised by instructor. - Group leaders asked to supervise non climbing participants. 	8	1	8	
Unauthorised use	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hall remained locked when not in use. - Signage displayed warning against unauthorised use. - Barriers in front of the wall. - Harnesses locked in separate cupboard 	8	2	16	

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