

FLASCA Rock Climbing Risk Assessment

Week 1: Friday

Risk Management Plan: Rock Climbing (Friday the 19th of April 2024)

Centre details					
Company	Primary OSHCare	Centre	FLASCA		
Centre Operating Times	7am 6pm Monday to Friday				
Address	233 Bridge rd Forest Lodge 2037	Water hazards? Yes/No No If yes, detail in risk assessment below.			
Name of co-ordinator	Cody Jaikiew				
Contact number of Centre	Work Phone 9660 4334	Mobile 0417 211 141			
Average number of children centre	Incursions: 80 Excursions: 75	Average number of educators	10		
		Average parents/volunteers			
Educator to child ratio, including whether this higher ratio is warranted? Please provide details.	Mainstream Ratio – 15 children: 1 educator				
Risk assessment					
Activity	Hazard identified	Risk assessment (use matrix)	Elimination/control measures	Who	When
Walking around The Edge Rock Climbing	Trips, slips, falls, injuries, illness	Moderate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An educator to lead each group as per child: educator ratio Ensure each member of the group walks, not runs, and stays within sight of an educator 	Educators	All Day

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Educators to choose flat surfaces to walk across and to warn children of potential trip hazards Supervise children carefully and ensure that they leave adequate space between them and other children 		
	Risk of collision while walking	Moderate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supervise children carefully and ensure that they leave adequate space between them and other children Children to be aware of their surroundings and to 'give way' to others 	Educators	All Day
	Getting hands/feet caught in and under materials	Moderate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure children walk carefully and avoid obstacles 	Educators	All Day
Participating in Rock Climbing activities	Hair/finger/clothing being caught in belay device result minor injury to belayer	Moderate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safety induction / belay lesson with assessment by qualified instructor to ensure competence in the use of equipment Instructor providing general supervision Qualified First Aid person with kit to be on duty at all times 	Educator and Service Providers	All Day
	Rope burn	Moderate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Slow go safety pulleys (add friction into system) Safety induction / belay lesson with assessment by qualified instructor to ensure competence in the use of equipment Instructor providing general supervision Qualified First Aid person with kit to be on duty at all times 	Educator and Service Providers	All day
	Physical Contact with Equipment and other objects	Moderate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure children do their best to fall towards the mats, so they do not hit anything on the way down 	Educator and Service Providers	All day
	Risk of injury due to landing incorrectly	Moderate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children to learn the 'motorbike' landing Children not to jump off things that are too high for them 	Educator and Service Providers	All day
	Uncontrolled landing of climber resulting in	Moderate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Impact matting in fall zone of climb 	Educator and Service Providers	All day

	long bone injury / ankle injury		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety induction / belay lesson with assessment by qualified instructor to insure competence in the use of equipment • Instructor providing general supervision • Qualified First Aid person with kit to be on duty at all times 		
General	COVID-19	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Frequent handwashing. Social distancing (where practicable). Disinfecting surfaces. • Ensure Educators & Families are aware of our Covid-19 Policy & procedure. • Maintain communication between NSW Health department, Department of Education, ECED and any other relevant organisation in relation to Covid-19. • Ensure information of Covid-19 and any practices are updated. • Antibacterial wipes, hand soap, paper towels and hand sanitiser will be available to all that enter/use the premises. 	Children and Educators	All day
Sun Protection & Dehydration	Sunburn / burns/ infections / illness Sun stroke, dehydration	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that Educators, volunteers & families are aware of our Sun Safety Policy. • Ensure families pack hats for their children each day. • Ensure children wear hats as necessary or stay under the shade. If UV is over 3 Provide shelter where necessary. • Regularly ensure children have opportunity to get a drink of water. • Ensure children still get opportunity of some sun exposure for Vitamin D levels (UV rating checked with this). • Sunscreen will be applied throughout the day. • Ensure children have brought their water bottles. 	The Coordinator, Parents/Families, Children Volunteers, and Educators	Before and During Incursion.
	Toilet Supervision	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Educators check toilets before children use them. 	Children	All day

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Younger children to go in pairs or small groups. • Ensure handwashing. 		
Eating and Drinking	Choking	Moderate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adequate supervision and assistance. • Children must be sitting while eating. 	Children and educators	Recess and lunch
	Allergies	Extreme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remind parents the centre is nut-free. • First aid kit nearby. • Ensure no sharing of food. • Frequent handwashing. • Ensure educators, children & families are aware of our Food & Nutrition Policy. • Ensure children are seated down whilst eating or drinking. 	Children, parents, educators	Recess and lunch

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Communicated to all relevant staff:	Yes/No	
Risk assessment to be evaluated and reviewed on:	If this VC Program Activity is organised again.	
Reminder: Monitor the effectiveness of controls and change if necessary. Review the risk assessment if an incident or significant change occurs.		

