

Risk assessment form (H&S)

Name of assessor(s)	Tim Gouge Pete Goldsmith	Group / Establishment:	SSE Outdoors Charterhouse Centre
Date Review Date	January 2023 Annually		

Venue Description	How was the assessment done?	Mobile Phone Signal
		Poor/Intermittent Vodafone/EE in places
Climbing at Ubley Rakes ST 50620 55373	Completed by the Senior Instructor in consultation with other staff and Pete Goldsmith our Technical Advisor.	Nearest Landline
		Charterhouse Centre

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Participants and visiting staff Instructor	Slips, trips and falls	Safety/Activity briefing for all participants, and constant monitoring throughout the session Potential hazards pointed out in advance Vigilance of instructors in watching out for hazards or hazardous behaviour Participants to wear suitable footwear Instructor to adopt a position of greatest use (POGU) strategy in high risk areas Utilise visiting staff to maintain high standards of group control	3	2	6				

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Participants and visiting staff Instructor	Fearful participant, freezing whilst climbing	Safety/Activity briefing for all participants, and constant monitoring throughout the session Encouragement/guidance provided throughout activity session Instructor training	1	2	2				
Participants and visiting staff Instructor	Hair/clothing caught up in equipment	Activity run in accordance with standard operating procedures (SOPs) and activity notes Safety/Activity briefing for all participants, and constant monitoring throughout the session Instructor training Vigilance of instructor/s Hair and clothing checked prior to session, and monitored throughout Jewellery removed	3	1	3				
Participants and visiting staff Instructor	Hit by an object from above	Safety/Activity briefing for all participants, and constant monitoring throughout the session Pockets to be emptied prior to climbing Correct PPE to be worn Safe areas when not climbing to be pointed out Brief the group to shout "below" if they dislodge any loose rock and inform them not to look up if they hear that shouted.	2	1	2				

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Participants and visiting staff Instructor	Falling climber	Activity run in accordance with standard operating procedures (SOPs) and activity notes Safety/Activity briefing for all participants, and constant monitoring throughout the session Instructor training Encouragement/guidance provided throughout activity session Correct PPE to be worn Safe areas when not climbing to be pointed out Appropriate belaying methods to be used and observed closely	5	1	5				
Participants and visiting staff Instructor	Pendulums on the rope	Safety/Activity briefing for all participants, and constant monitoring throughout the session Instructor training Choice of climb is suitable	2	1	2				
Instructor	Falling whilst rigging and setting up the climbs	Activity run in accordance with standard operating procedures (SOPs) and activity notes Safety/Activity briefing for all participants, and constant monitoring throughout the session Instructor training Clip stick and self belay or tracers	5	1	5				

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Participants and visiting staff Instructor	Bolts / chains failing	Bolts tested 02/05/2019 using a Hilti Bolt Testing Kit and operated by a Hilti certified operator Chain document of conformity Visual checks before group use	5	1	5				
Participants	Foot trapped	Make aware of the issue Chock stones used to limit risk Vigilance Awareness of risk covered in SPA/RCI	3	2	6				
Participants and visiting staff Instructor	Kit failure during session	Instructor training - Kit used correctly and in accordance to manufacturers guidelines Bi-monthly kit checks carried out at the centre and recorded Visual checks carried out when rigging Visual checks of students kit before they take part/ each turn Kit retired at the end of working life in accordance with centres policy Damaged or retired kit to be put in "out of use" bin	5	1	5				

Assessor's Signature – Where a review takes place resulting in no changes to the assessment and risk rating this form can be re-signed, dated, any relevant comments made and a note added for the next review date.

Print	Tim Gouge	Date	30/01/2023	Comments	
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