



Risk assessment form (H&S)

Name of assessor(s)	Karl Watson, Callum McMillan	Group / Establishment:	SSE Outdoors
Date	January 2023		

What is the workplace / activity / equipment / conditions (delete as appropriate) being assessed:	How was the assessment done? e.g. desktop exercise, site visit, in consultation with employees, managers, safety representatives?	Next review date:
		January 2024
Fantasy Trail. In a wooded area to the side of Pardlestone lane. This activity is a series of lower-level elements around a course designed to be undertaken blindfolded.	Desktop Exercise	Mobile reception / nearest landline
		Varied / Outdoor centre

Who could be harmed, and how?	What is already being done to control the risks?	*Risk Rating Severity x Likelihood			What further action is recommended to reduce risks further?	Action by whom?	Date action due	Date action done
		S	L	S x L				
All participants – getting lost, going with an unknown person	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Instructor to maintain close group control Ensure teacher / accompanying adult is supportive of instructor. Regular head count. 	3	1	3				
All participants – being hit by a moving vehicle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Travel no more than 2 abreast, walking on the lane Stop to allow passing traffic to freely pass by – move into single file Brief participants to check before crossing the road Brief participants to listen and look for vehicles Member of staff at back and front of crowd 	4	1	4				

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All participants – contamination/ poison	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All participants to wash their hands at the end of the session Continuous dialogue and monitoring throughout the session 	3	1	3				
All participants – slips, trips & falls	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appropriate footwear to be worn for the activity. Participants encouraged to support each other throughout All elements secured to prevent sudden tipping or moving FT course checked for any damage or tripping hazards. 	2	1	2				
All participants – panic – fear of being blindfolded	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clear brief given at the start of the session Allow time & patience for participants to adjust to their new surroundings Challenge by choice for participants Free hand to remain on the guide rope, to reduce getting lost. 	2	2	4				
All participants – bumping into objects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Instructor to allow time & patience for participants to adjust to their new surroundings, playing warm up games where necessary Participants encouraged to pass information on about the challenges encountered Instructor & staff member briefed on how to guide lead participant of each group. Allowing them to assist when needed to avoid hazards Elements where contact with the head is likely (Tunnel) foam present to cushion the entrance and exit 	2	2	4				

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All participants – Entrapment in elements (netting)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Route of course directed to prevent participants coming off the side of the course/netting Any gaps at the beginning and end of the netting is tensioned and secured to prevent holes big enough to put limbs/head etc. 	2	1	2				

* [Click here](#) for guidance in calculating Risk Rating. Rate the **severity** of the potential harm (between 1-5, where 5 is fatal) and the **likelihood** of the harm occurring (again 1-5 where 5 is very likely). Guidance is at .H

Please now pass this assessment to your manager for approval

Name of assessor's manager:	Ack Moore	Date:	21/2/23	Manager's comments	
Signature:					

