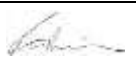


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Activity:	Axe Throwing	Assessment Reference No:	4.6	Nov 24 CM	Signature of Assessor:	

HAZARD	CONTROL MEASURES
Tomahawk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tomahawks to be stored in the tool box when not on session • Metal edge to be inspected for burrs before and during use. • Participants should be reminded to inspect edges by eye rather than feel. Any burrs found to be reported to the instructor. • Ensure that those not throwing are behind the waiting line when throwing is in progress. • Projectiles in the targets to be removed before collecting floor projectiles • Any damaged tape/ wrapping to be repaired to reduce the risk of splinters • Group to be briefed about snagging whilst bringing tomahawks back. • Supervise the group closely at all times. • Loose heads to be secured by tapping shaft heads against each other at 90 degrees - as per training.
Double Bit axe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Axes to be stored in the tool box when not on session • Metal edge to be inspected for burrs before and during use. • Participants should be reminded to inspect edges by eye rather than feel. Any burrs found to be reported to the instructor. • Ensure that those not throwing are behind the waiting line when throwing is in progress. • Projectiles in the targets to be removed before collecting floor projectiles • Any damaged tape/ wrapping to be repaired to reduce the risk of splinters • Axes must be thrown double handed. Straight armed • Group to be briefed about snagging whilst bringing axes back. • Supervise the group closely at all times. • Loose heads to be secured by tapping shaft heads against each other at 90 degrees - as per training.
Ravens & knives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be stored, clean in the tool box when not on session • Metal edge to be inspected for burrs before and during use. • Participants should be reminded to inspect edges by eye rather than feel. Any burrs found to be reported to the instructor. • Ensure that those not throwing are behind the waiting line when throwing is in progress. • Projectiles in the targets to be removed before collecting floor projectiles • Supervise the group closely at all times.
Target falling over	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check each stand prior to use. • Explain to participants how to retrieve projectiles correctly. • Target to be supported to prevent falling over when used outside.
Cuts and grazes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First aid kit to be on hand during sessions. • Range to be inspected prior to activity for slip or trip hazards • Group to be briefed to walk whilst retrieving projectiles.
People walking into the range	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that the Red Flag is flying before the start of activity. • Signs warning about the activity in place. • Barrier rope in place on unused range lanes to restrict access onto the throwing line • All participants to be briefed about the "stop" command.



Equipment failure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Check all equipment before the session. • Ensure the group is using the equipment suitable to their strength / size.. • Participants must be taught to use the equipment in the correct manner before they throw • Tomahawk heads and tape to be inspected through out the session.
General	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure participants know the “stop” rule, either relating to voice or whistle. • Range rules to be clearly stated before throwing starts.
Further risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ All risks should be minimised by continual appraisal of participant’s condition, the environment and equipment through dynamic risk assessment by the staff members involved. ■ Some risks remain due to the nature of the activity but every care must be taken to minimise these.

