


Location:	Leicester Outdoor Pursuits Centre or Offsite	Date of Assessment:	1/4/10	Last Reviewed:	Dec 2024	Name of Assessor:	Chris Murnin
Activity:	Camping	Assessment Reference No:	4.19		CM	Signature of Assessor:	

ITEM/HAZARD	CONTROL MEASURES
Equipment failure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Equipment to be checked before use. ■ Equipment to be used in accordance with manufacturer's instructions. ■ Any faults reported to Site Manager and kit quarantined for repair or disposal
Members of the public	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Group to be advised on expected behaviour when sharing campsites with members of the public. ■ Interaction between the group and members of the public to be avoided unless under the direct supervision of a member of staff.
Loss of participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Group leader or Centre staff to be on site, supervising under 18s. ■ Brief participants about site layout. Advise them of areas which are 'out of bounds'. ■ Agree signals to indicate immediate return to campsite, e.g. repeated short bursts on whistle. ■ If participants leave from the main group for an agreed reason, give a time limitation for return. ■ With the exception of DofE Expeditions group leaders or Centre staff to camp overnight in the same area as participants. ■ Inform participants and leaders where staff tents are in case of an incident / emergency
Injury from fires, Barbecues or camp cookers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Cooking is not to be undertaken by participants under the age of 18 unless closely supervised by the group leader or as part of an DofE expedition. ■ Cooking to take place a minimum of 5m away from tents ■ Campfires in designated campfire areas only. ■ Heating and lighting to be provided by means which have no naked flames and no risk of starting a fire. ■ Fire extinguishers or buckets of water to be at hand in the event of fire.
Falling objects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Tents not to be pitched under trees whenever possible. ■ If camping off site pitching under a tree only to be done if absolutely necessary and if the supervisor deems it suitable.
Tripping or slipping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Camping area to be kept tidy with clear paths between tents. ■ Location of guy ropes to be pointed out to participants. ■ Tents must not be pitched on thoroughfares.
Further risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ All risks should be minimised by continual appraisal of participants' condition, the environment and equipment through dynamic risk assessment by the staff members involved. ■ Some risks still remain but every care must be taken to minimise these.

