

FAIRPLAY OUTDOOR EDUCATION CENTRE RISK ASSESSMENT BUSHCRAFT

HAZARD	AT RISK	DEGREE OF RISK	ACTION TO CONTROL RISK	COMMENTS
BURNT ON LIGHTING	INSTRUCTOR CLIENT	MEDIUM	 Instructor to have first aid kit present. Fire bucket to be at main campfire. Never use a propellant (petrol etc.) Use of firelighters/long matches Use Dynamic R.A to decide who lights the campfires, if young people are lighting campfires closely supervised by adult. Emphasise risks to client during briefing and demo. 	
BURNT BY FIRE	INSTRUCTOR CLIENT	MEDIUM	 During briefing emphasise the main points of safety to the young people NO RUNNING, SIT AROUND THE FIRE DO NOT STAND, DO NOT CARRY LIGHTED STICKS, DO NOT THROW WOOD ON CAMPFIRES. Emphasise expectations of behavior. Demonstrate size and height fire should be, explain why. Sit up wind of fire. Have a fire extinguisher (water), fire blanket and mobile phone at the campfire area. 	



BURNT BY GRATES OR PANS	INSTRUCTOR CLIENT	MEDIUM	 Demonstrate safe use of grates and pans during briefing. Emphasise importance of sensible behavior.
SMOKE INHALATION / ASTHMA	INSTRUCTOR CLIENT	LOW	 Only burn wood for example dead branches or appropriate kindling. During Briefing explain types of Kindling they should look for.
BURNT FROM COOKED FOOD	INSTRUCTOR CLIENT	MEDIUM	 Group is brought to the main campfire area to sit on logs to try food. Instructor includes in briefing and follows up with reminders on how hot food can be and the importance of cooling down time.
BURNT FROM HOT CHOCOLATE/ HOT WATER.	INSTRUCTOR CLIENT	MEDIUM	 Group is briefed to keep hot chocolate drinks on the floor, not to walk and carry them about and to only be drinking them at the main campfire while sitting on logs.



GENERAL FAUNA AND FLORA	INSTRUCTOR CLIENTS	LOW	 Group to be made aware of any danger from Fauna and Flora brambles etc. trip hazards overhanging branches. Maintenance of site to be regularly carried out.
USE OF TOOLS AND EQUIPMEMT	INSTRUCTOR CLIENTS	MEDIUM	All Bushcraft tools will be strictly controlled and informed briefings given to the group prior to use.

This risk assessment is reviewed annually or earlier if necessary