

Girlguiding Risk Assessment

Site:	Blackland Farm	Assessment No.	BF/ZIP/16
Assessor	Thomas Webb-Bowen	Description of Building or Area	Zip Wire 1 & 2
Date of Assessment	24/01/2016 (Reviewed 07/04/17)		
Task/Activity/Process/Equipment	Zip Wire		
Technical Advisor (if applicable)	Keith Flemming		
Persons Name (If Applicable to vulnerable Groups etc)	n/a	Equipment used (if applicable)	Harness, Helmets, Ropes, Slings, Karabiners & Petzl Rig
When Identifying HAZARDS consider:			
a) The Task (Who, What, Where, When, How)			
b) The environment (temperature, noise, lighting, dust, fumes)			
c) Materials, Equipment, and Substances (machinery, tools, chemicals, etc)			



RA REF No.	Hazard	Description of potential accident/injury/loss	Persons affected	Precautions/Controls already in place	Risk Rating Factor=SxL			Further control measures required?	Action By Whom	To be completed by (Date)
					Severity	Likelihood	Factor			
ZIP/16/01	Falling to the ground when climbing to platform and while on platform	Major injury possible death from fall	Customers/Staff	Instructor to ensure ladder is tied securely to tree and is footed properly. All participants are belayed up ladder. Instructor and participants are secured to tree while on platform. Instructor uses wire ascender to gain access to platform. Waiting participant at top will wait in a red hoop where they are visible to the instructor on the platform.	5	1	5	See Activity Policy for information on Staff Training/Qualifications and Equipment Checking.		
ZIP/16/02	Hitting branches while descending along wire	Injury from impacts	Customers	Branches regularly trimmed. Participants instructed to step forward off the platform.	3	1	3	Monitor		
ZIP/16/03	Injury due to ill-fitting equipment	Major injury possible death from fall	Customers	All staff trained in safety procedures for activity, Equipment is checked before use in addition to weekly when busy, monthly when quite, Staff check participants harness before and during session to ensure that it's tight around the waist, Participants without defined waists must wear full-body harnesses. Sessions checked for safety. Monitor near-miss and accident register.	5	1	5			
ZIP/16/04	Failure of equipment or structure	Major injury possible death from fall	Customers	All staff trained in procedures and methods of checking equipment. Equipment is checked before use in addition to weekly when busy, monthly when quite, monthly when quiet, All checks recorded in equipment check book.	5	1	5			