

Girlguiding Risk Assessment

Site:	Foxlease	Assessment No.	FX / ZIP
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Assessor	Christopher Whitewood	Description of Building or Area	The Zip Wire is behind the The barn, near the Camp fire circle.
Date of Assessment	06/05/2019		
Task/Activity/Process/Equipment	Zip Wire		
Technical Advisor (if applicable)			
Persons Name (If Applicable to)		Equipment used (if applicable)	Helmets, Harnesses, Rope system
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			Further control measures required?	Action By Whom	To be completed by (Date)
					Severity	Likelihood	Factor			
ZIP	Being hit by falling objects	Tree branches etc. could cause cuts / grazes or head injuries	Unauthorised user, Instructors and Participants.	People around this area to wear a correctly fitting helmet. The Instructor to enforce this all the way through the session. A "clear" command and check is used to ensure unauthorized individuals are not below the participant during the zip.	3	1	3			
ZIP	Falling from the Zip Wire	Not secured / Incorrectly attached to the safety rope can cause cuts / grazes and potential loss of life.	Unauthorised user, Instructors and Participants.	Instructors are Assessed by an MIA or MIC or to hold the relevant qualification and be assessed by the SI/DM. Instructors to follow the Standard Operating Procedures. Participants to be correctly attached to the safety system.	5	1	5			
ZIP	Equipment failure	Unchecked equipment means a potential failure, serious injuries or death.	Unauthorised user, Instructors and Participants.	All equipment that is used is pre-checked during the activity set up. Checked on the recorded monthly inspection and correctly stored after use.	5	1	5			
ZIP	Slipping off the zip wire ramp or the boardwalk.	Slipping on / off the boardwalk and zip wire ramp can cause bruising, cuts, grazes and potential back and head injuries.	Unauthorised user, Instructors and Participants.	Instructors are Assessed by an MIA or MIC or to hold the relevant qualification and be assessed by the SI/DM. The Instructor to give a clear brief about the slippery areas and to follow the Standard Operating Procedures. The ramps and boardwalks are to be power washed once a month and grip tape to be applied as necessary.	4	1	4			
ZIP	Incorrectly fitted equipment.	Equipment not correctly fitted. A loose harness rubbing against the skin or sliding down the waist. The helmet moving backwards, and the forehead hits the tower causing a concussion or asphyxia from the helmet strap.	Instructors and Participants	Instructors are Assessed by an MIA or MIC or to hold the relevant qualification and be assessed by the SI/DM. Instructors to follow the Standard Operating Procedures, Instructors to check all equipment is correctly fitted in line with in the Standard Operating Procedures.	4	1	4			
ZIP	Injury from poor instructions	Participants getting rope burn when lowering off the Participant. Participant slipping over causing minor injuries.	Participants	Instructors are Assessed by an MIA or MIC or to hold the relevant qualification and be assessed by the SI/DM. The Instructor has control of the belay rope when lowering to ensure the participants does not descend too fast and can stop the participant to allow the area below to be clear. Sessions are regularly observed by the SI and/or DM, to ensure safety briefs are clear, correct and are understood by the participants.	2	1	2			
ZIP	Hair/finger and clothing getting entrapped	Hair or fingers getting caught up in the descent device when lowering themselves causing pain, cuts and bruising and possible broken digits.	Participants	The Instructor to actively manage this throughout the session. Hair is tied back, no loose clothing and participants to put their head backwards and hands are on the handle of the decent device when lowering to avoid fingers getting caught.	3	1	3			
ZIP	Unauthorised use of equipment	Unauthorised use can result in death if the equipment is not set up or used correctly	Unauthorised user	The zip wire trolley is removed from the cable when no session is on. The Standard Operating Procedures are followed. A no entry sign and chain is there to sign post no unauthorized access.	5	2	10	Investigate the installation and use of a gate at the bottom of the ramp.	Chris Whitewood	06/06/2019

This Risk Assessment work in conjunction with the Generic Risk Assessment (FX/GEN) and the Activities Standard Operating Procedures