

Site Risk Assessment

The Hawthorns forest school (Miag) site risk Assessment

Probability (P)

1. Highly unlikely
2. Unlikely
3. Likely

Consequence (C)

1. Slightly harmful
2. Harmful
3. Extremely harmful

Probability (P) x Consequence (C) = Risk Rating (RR)		
RR	Description	Action
1	Minimal	No action required, no documentation necessary
2	Acceptable	No extra controls necessary. Alternatives can be considered. Monitoring essential to ensure controls are maintained
3&4	Moderate	All avenues should be explored to reduce risk, and implemented within specified time limits
		If a moderate risk is associated with extremely harmful consequences then further assessment is advisable to determine more accurately the probability of harm. This can be used to evaluate the need for improved controls
6	Substantial	Activities should not start until risk has been reduced. If activity already in progress then urgent action should be taken
9	Unacceptable	Activities should not start (or should be stopped) until risk has been reduced. If this is impossible, the activity must not be carried out

Site:

Date assessed:

Area	Define hazards	Who might be harmed?	P	C	Risk	Is the risk adequately controlled? (Actions to be taken to control the risk)	P	C	Residual	Date completed
Hawthorn woodland area	Fire's, cooking, and gas hob in cabin	Staff, students, Teachers and support staff	1	2	6	<p>Fire pit area has been designed to minimise risk to students and staff, students walk around outside of the seating area shown this on day one and staff always present with students when the main fire pit is in use.</p> <p>40l water always on hand(2x20l containers) checked in the fire daily checklist before any student or teachers arrive.</p> <p>Large fire gloves kept next to fire (on daily checklist)</p> <p>fire blanket on tree next to fire pit area (on daily checklist)</p> <p>First Aid kit kept on site in cabin(on daily checklist)</p> <p>only designated person in charge to allow wood to be added and is responsible for extinguishing fire at the end of session.</p> <p>Any student fire's are supervised and planned with staff.</p> <p>fires in controlled areas away from coniferous trees in designated areas.</p> <p>Only trained staff to use a gas cooking hob in the cabin and turn off the main gas supply as soon as finished with.</p> <p>Fire extinguisher and blanket in cabin (in date and on daily checklist).</p> <p>fire lighting equipment i.e. lighters, and fire strikes kept in a locked tool box in separate compartment marked fire (x2 lighters x7 fire steels) daily checklist beginning and end of session.</p> <p>Temperature probe to be used when cooking meat in sausages and bacon staff to have food hygiene certificate.</p>	3	2	4	27/7/2022

Hawthorn woodland area	Horses on the farm and dogs	student,staff, teachers,horses	3	3	4	<p>Up to 10 Horses on site in fields next to the carpark,woodland and surrounding area.</p> <p>Only equine trained staff (Lucy or Rob) show arriving students the horses and escort them through the horse field to the woodland area if needed.</p> <p>No students to feed horses</p> <p>No students to feed dogs or touch them through fence (all farm dogs on site are friendly but kept away from student areas)</p>	2	2	2	27/7/2022
Hawthorn woodland area	Food storage and food hygiene and food allergies	staff,students,teachers	3	3	6	<p>Staff to check with teachers and students regarding food allergies and medical conditions ie ;-(diabetes) before sessions of any food given.</p> <p>All food stored in the fridge and cupboards in the designated kitchen at Hawthorn's site. Only removed and taken to woodland when planned for consumption.</p> <p>Only staff with food hygiene certificates to cook on the fire pit or the gas hob in the cabin.</p> <p>correct colour coded food preparation chopping boards used.</p> <p>White ;- bakery breads etc Yellow;- cooked meat Brown ;- root vegetables Red;- raw meat Blue ;-raw fish Green;-salad and fruit</p> <p>All cooking done with students in cabin or woodland hand washing facilities provided and in place before session starts.</p>	3	2	2	27/7/2022

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Next assessment due:27/1/2023 or when new activity added

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Hawthorn woodland area	Tools ,sharp knives and bushcraft equipment srorage	staff, students and teachers	3	3	6	<p>All tools kept in locked tool box with itinerary check at the beginning and end of each session (daily checklist)</p> <p>Only trained staff to allow and plan safe use in sessions</p> <p>Students work in a calm atmosphere at a safe distance from each other with instruction safety glasses and gloves used when required.</p> <p>Any dangerous behaviour session ends immediately</p> <p>first aid kit in cabin</p> <p>students shown how to use tools safely</p>	3	2	2	27/7/2022
Hawthorn woodland area	Water and ponds	staff teachers and students	2	2	2	<p>Large 10,000 litre water irrigation tank next to cabin staff to monitor students looking at fish in the water tank .</p> <p>Tank raised up to avoid falling in and safety rail inside, tank 4 feet deep.</p> <p>No children left unattended by ponds or water tanks.</p> <p>wildlife pond net's provided for students for water creature identification ie :- pond dipping activities supervised at all times .</p> <p>New teachers and students were shown around the site location of ponds shown and depth talked about.</p> <p>Wildlife pond 1 max depth 42" Wildlife pond 2 max depth 34" Water tank max depth 48"</p>	2	2	2	27/7/2022

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