

RISK ASSESSMENT

Woodland/Trees

Activity Camping / Being in woodland

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What are the Hazards?	Who might be harmed?	What existing control measures are already in place?	What further action is required to manage the risk?	Risk Rating
Playing on logs/in undergrowth	Any in woods	Children should be supervised by adults and made aware of the dangers of playing unsupervised in the woods	Ensure groups take responsibility for children in their care.	Medium
Falling trees	Any in woods	Woods inspected bi-annually by professional external qualified to do so, with remedial work taken in due course Woods inspected by competent crew after any major storms or high winds and remedial action taken	Removal of hazardous trees to be done as soon as possible once management team made aware	Low

Poisoning / Irritation	All in woodland	Risk of poisoning to humans is extremely low with most dangerous plants in the UK and can normally be managed through good personal hygiene practices.	Encourage good hygiene practices Discourage children from playing in areas with known dangerous plants in the woods. Any one displaying rashes or reactions to seek help from a 1 st aider.	Low
Activities	Staff, instructors and participants	Activities independently risk assessed	Selection of activity areas (for things such as team building) to take into account ground	Medium.

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			underfoot, undergrowth and foliage and branches/canopy overhead. Looking for anything that may cause injury or accidental harm. If logs etc to be used instructors must dynamically assess risk and establish an acceptable level of risk to work within specific to the activity	
Site work	Crew working	Crew undertaking work in the woods should be aware of risks of both being in the woods and job specific risks	Ensure anyone undertaking work in the woods is aware of the risk	Low