

# BUSHCRAFT



Date of Assessment 23/1/15

	Casual factors, hazards, dangers	Risk management strategies, normal operation.	Site Specifics
People	Slips, trips & falls.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Site inspected by Freax Instructors to identify and mark inherent hazards in advance of event.</li> <li>• Appropriate footwear worn at all times, paying particular attention to ground and weather conditions.</li> <li>• All instructors trained in dynamic risk assessments and first aid.</li> </ul>	This space is to be completed on the day of the activity, identifying any specific dangers, changes since the last visit and/or difficulties/risks that will need to be assessed before, during and after the session.
	Participants using sharp equipment inappropriately and not safely.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information and safety briefing will be given prior to activity, especially on the correct use of tools and the dangers of 'silly' behaviour during this activity.</li> <li>• Tools and specialised equipment will be contained and kept safe and tidy in a lockable metal case.</li> <li>• All instructors are first aid trained and carry first aid kits.</li> <li>• Instructors have experience in working with groups on this particular activity.</li> </ul>	
	<p>Burns, scolds, spills, smoke inhalation.</p> <p>Cuts, loss of fingers/limbs.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information and safety briefing will be given prior to activity, especially on the correct use of tools and the dangers of 'silly' behaviour during this activity.</li> <li>• All instructors' first aid qualified and carry first aid kits.</li> </ul>	

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Equipment	Axes and knives causing injury.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Axes will only be used if training has been given and whilst under direct supervision. Equipment checked and logged before and after use, and any unsuitable tools removed from the box.</li> <li>• All tools to be maintained and kept fit for purpose.</li> </ul>	
	Inappropriate clothing and footwear.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Correct clothing checked, loose clothing/laces dealt with to reduce participants catching clothing or tripping over laces etc.</li> <li>• Kit list sent to organizer prior to activity.</li> </ul>	
	Burns from fire.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Briefing given before activity as to how to reduce the risk of burns and scolds.</li> <li>• First aid kits carried and protected.</li> <li>• Fire sectioned off, seating area set back from fire.</li> </ul>	
Environment	Slipping on grass.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Explain all safety instructions and guidelines for any activities before starting, making sure all involved listen and understand the risks.</li> <li>• Choose appropriate spaces that will reduce the risks.</li> </ul>	
	Minor injuries from trees and bushes, like falling over, tripping etc.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All instructors' first aid qualified and trained in emergency procedures.</li> <li>• Choose appropriate spaces that will reduce the risks.</li> </ul>	
	Bad weather conditions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Weather checked before activity.</li> <li>• Choose appropriate spaces that will</li> </ul>	

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	People using tools inappropriately and not safely, damaging the environment.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• All participants will be trained in using the tools safely.</li><li>• Each tool only used for the purposes described in the briefing.</li><li>• All tools to be covered/sheathed when not in use.</li></ul>	
	Environment, equipment set on fire	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Appropriate fire extinguishing equipment. This could be an extinguisher or bucket of water</li></ul>	

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