

## Risk assessment

Name of activity, event, and location	Crate Stacking, Alfrey Activity Centre Warwickshire	Date of risk assessment	06/10/21	Name of person doing this risk assessment	Paul Skipper
		Date of next review	June 2022		

What hazard have you identified? What are the risks from it?	Who is at risk?	How are the risks already controlled? What extra controls are needed?	What has changed that needs to be thought about and controlled?
<b>A hazard</b> is something that may cause harm or damage. <b>The risk</b> is the harm that may occur from the hazard.	For example: young people, adult volunteers, visitors	<b>Controls</b> are ways of making the activity safer by removing or reducing the risk. For example, you may use a different piece of equipment or you might change the way you do the activity.	Keep <b>checking</b> throughout the activity in case you need to change what you're doing or even <b>stop</b> the activity.
Weather	Everyone	Activity must not take place in low light levels, windy, rain or snow.	Monitor the weather conditions.
Operator Competence	Everyone	Instructors must be trained and have passed the sites recognised assessment to instruct. Un qualified Instructors are not allowed	Duty Warden to ensure suitably qualified instructor available
Setting up Crate Stack Area prior to starting	Instructor	Visual inspections of wires and trees. Visual inspection of harnesses, helmets, straps and ropes. Inspection check list to be filled out. Participants to wait outside crate stake area and chain to be in the closed position on the entrance. Instructors and participants to wear helmets at all times.	Follow Operating Procedure throughout session.
Equipment failure	Everyone	All Equipment is inspected prior to and after activity and inspection sheet filled out. Any damaged or out of date equipment must be removed and made unusable. Annual insurance inspections of the wires and clamps.	Report damaged equipemtn to site manager for repair / replace.
Excessive people in area	Participants / Instructors	Max of 6 people including the instructor allowed in area at any one time. Helmets must be worn by all.	Supervising Leaders to ensure rules followed
Falling Debris and crates	Participants / Instructors	Helmets must be worn at all times in the Crate Stack Area. Instructor to advise participants to move when crates fall.	

You can find more information in the Safety checklist for leaders and at [scouts.org.uk/safety](https://scouts.org.uk/safety)

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Cut to hands	Participants / Instructors	All of the crates are inspected for cracks prior to use. Broken crates are removed from activity and replaced where required	
Slips trips and falls	Everyone	Area is fenced & inspected for potential hazards before the start of the activity.	

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