

Risk assessment – 3<sup>rd</sup> Brampton (St Thomas') Scouts – Cubs Camping at Spitewinter May 2022

Name of activity, event, and location	3 <sup>rd</sup> Brampton (St Thomas') Cubs Scouts (Rother & Hipper) – May 2022 Pack Sleepover	Date of risk assessment	6 <sup>th</sup> March 2022	Name of person doing this risk assessment	Charles Gillson
	General Risks - Camping on a Scout Campsite (Plus Covid Considerations)	Date of next review	6 <sup>th</sup> March 2023 (or each term or when a significant change occurs)		

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?
<p><b>A hazard</b> is something that may cause harm or damage.</p> <p><b>The risk</b> is the harm that may occur from the hazard.</p>	<p>For example: young people, leaders, visitors</p>	<p><b>Controls</b> are ways of making the activity safer by removing or reducing the risk from it.</p> <p>For example, you may use a different piece of equipment or you might change the way you do the activity.</p>	<p>Keep <b>checking</b> throughout the activity in case you need to change what you're doing or even <b>stop</b> the activity.</p> <p>This is a great place to add comments which will be used as part of the review.</p>
<p><b>Covid considerations –</b> Spitewinter Campsite - General campsite precautions</p>	All participants	<p>Individual Sections/Groups to be allocated separate sites for camping, away from other groups.</p> <p>No groups to intermix on site and stay socially distanced.</p> <p>All contact with Site team to be Socially distanced.</p> <p>Signage is in place around facilities reminding guests of the measures required to keep everyone as safe as possible.</p> <p>Shower and toilet block to be kept clean – hand washing facilities to be in place.</p>	
<p><b>Site features –</b> Risk of injuries</p>	All present	<p>Leaders to ask camp staff on arrival of any areas that are out of bounds – i.e. - maintenance of areas, machinery, wood pile, etc. - YP &amp; other Leaders to be advised as soon as possible of any areas that are out of bounds to campers – especially when unsupervised</p> <p>Appropriate footwear is worn at all times. Avoid bare feet unless activity specific.</p>	
<p><b>Water &amp; Waste –</b> Infection &amp; vermin</p>	All present	All to be advised ASAP as to what system/area is in place for disposing of waste water and food and packaging?	
<p><b>Toilets &amp; showers -</b> Safeguarding issues,</p>	Young people and leaders	<p>The site has separate toilet facilities for males/females</p> <p>Showers are all individual unisex cubicles</p>	

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<p><b>Vehicles &amp; people</b> Risk of collision &amp; injury</p>	<p>All present</p>	<p>Vehicle access main site to be limited with speed limit also on site Cubs to be briefed on remaining away from the car park unless supervised by leader or their parent. Vehicles only accessing site at arrival and departure. Other vehicles accessing the site- check with other campsite users.</p>	
<p><b>Heavy loads and items</b> - Back or other injuries to adults and YP</p>	<p>All present</p>	<p>Kit to be delivered as close to site as possible – preferably by vehicle before the YP arrive. YP to be supervised when carrying bigger items (use a trolley if available). Remind people how to lift and carry safely. All lifting and dropping of heavy tents and other items to be supervised by adults</p>	
<p><b>Tentage, guy lines, trip hazards, Items stored at low level</b> – Tripping on guy lines and tent pegs, boxes, natural items</p>	<p>Young people and leaders</p>	<p>Instruct and enforce “No running” rules around tents and inside mess tents. Also remind YP to keep away from thistles / stinging nettles / barbed fence wire, ponds, ditches etc – especially if unsupervised. Games to be played on “Rec Area” only</p>	
<p><b>Mallets striking Tent pegs</b> – Slippage of mallet Struck by mallet</p>	<p>All present</p>	<p>Adults to supervise activity and to check mallets are in good condition and not loose or split. Instruction on how to correctly put pegs in. Check tent pegs are suitable size and condition for the tent guy. Ensure other YP are standing safely away.</p>	
<p><b>Sleeping facilities</b> - Safeguarding issues</p>	<p>Young people and leaders</p>	<p>Ensure sleeping facilities provide appropriate division of adults and YP.</p>	
<p><b>Food</b> – Food poisoning</p>	<p>Young people and leaders</p>	<p>Menu planned to suit facilities available with correct storage of food. All to clean hands thoroughly before preparing or consuming food</p>	
<p><b>Tables</b> – Risk of collapse during cooking and activity</p>	<p>All present</p>	<p>Check tables are properly and safely put up, eg: legs locked.</p>	

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<p><b>LPG gas bottles</b></p> <p>Gas hoses and cooking equipment</p> <p>Leakage of gas and fire.</p>	<p>Young people and leaders</p>	<p>None planned to be taken.</p> <p>LPG cylinders to be positioned outside tents and doors open during use for good ventilation.</p> <p>Fire extinguisher / fire blanket / in building being used as cook area</p> <p>Fire Alarm &amp; evacuation Procedure set up for the whole camp</p> <p>Lighting equipment to be used in controlled areas.</p> <p>Battery torches only in sleeping tents.</p>	
<p><b>Cooking –</b></p> <p>hot surfaces</p> <p>Hot liquids,</p> <p>Cooking fats</p> <p>Risk of fire</p> <p>Burns</p>	<p>Young people and leaders</p>	<p>Rota for those helping with cooking. Fire blanket and fire extinguisher in cooking building</p> <p>Keep cooking area clear of obstructions and YP (unless designated to help)</p> <p>First aid kit in camp –call First Aid leader if required.</p>	
<p><b>Using Open Fires –</b></p> <p>Risk of burns from mistakes or misuse.</p> <p>Starting fires - creating sparks</p>	<p>All present</p>	<p>See - Spitewinter campfire risk assessment</p> <p>Restrict access by using in a defined area. Leaders to supervise YP when they're using hot items. Consider appropriate Group size.</p> <p>Keep area around the fire free of trip hazards</p> <p>Keep woodpile well away from the fire - at least 2 metres</p> <p>Have rules for firelighting including – for example: no picking up burning wood; no throwing objects onto the fire; hold wood at one end and lower onto the fire with your fingers near the ground. No removing wood from the fire once it has been put on.</p> <p>To start a fire only use kindling or bought fire lighters. Do NOT use accelerants on the fire (any substance or mixture that accelerates or speeds the development and escalation of fire) – such as petrol, lighter fuel and other spirits.</p> <p>Avoid loose clothing around fires – watch out for open coats, sleeves and scarves. Tuck them in and keep coats, hoodies fastened. Tie back loose hair. Do not reach over fires or flames.</p> <p>Make sure there is an appropriate first aid kit available and that leader training is up to date.</p> <p>Make sure that cold water is available nearby – there should be at least a bucket, running water is best if possible.</p>	

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<p><b>Bugs &amp; Dirt –</b> Dirty utensils Hygiene Food poisoning</p>	<p>All present</p>	<p>Leaders ensure good hygiene standards and brief YP on the importance of maintaining throughout camp. Wash hands after going to loo and all field activities and before eating. Hand washing area set up and regularly maintained by leader team. Make sure to use clean cooking / eating utensils.</p>	
<p><b>Behaviour –</b> risk of overexcitement, especially at the start of camp.</p>	<p>All present</p>	<p>Follow the section code of conduct that sets clear expectations of behaviour. Leaders be aware and manage group behaviour</p>	
<p><b>Appropriate adults –</b> Injuries from poor management of camp, activities and facilities</p>	<p>All adults</p>	<p>Ensure all leaders and adult helpers have completed appropriate enquiries. Event run by a leader with correct Nights Away Permit. Nights Away risk assessment logged with DC. Make sure adequate rest time is built in for leaders,</p>	
<p><b>Activities</b></p>	<p>All participants</p>	<p>Please see separate risk assessments for activities</p>	
<p><b>Incidents –</b> Risk of prolonged/increased injuries from lack of management</p>	<p>All present</p>	<p>Suitable first aid cover is in place. Details of emergency department / hospital and local doctors are held by all Leaders. Ensure robust InTouch process is in place Medication to be stored securely and leaders to supervise schedule of taking medicines Be aware of additional environmental hazards such as heatstroke, sunburn, ticks and other insects and animals</p>	

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