



## How OYCI Calculates Risk

### **RISK RATINGS:**

#### **Likelihood (probability)**

- 5 Almost certain
- 4 Probable
- 3 Possible
- 2 Possible (under unfortunate circumstances)
- 1 Rare

#### **Severity (Consequences)**

- 5 Fatality
- 4 Major injury, resulting in permanent damage
- 3 Injury requiring hospital or doctor attendance
- 2 Minor injury requiring first aid
- 1 No damage, injury

### **RISK RATING Likelihood x Severity**

Score 1-9 = LOW    Score 10 - 15 = MEDIUM    Score 16-25 = HIGH

# Outdoor Activity – updated January 2023

**Risk 1: - Injury from slips, trips, falls during activity due to outdoor weather and surfaces - young people/staff/others.**

**RISK RATING 3 x 3 = 9/LOW**

**MITIGATIONS:** Appropriate activities planned, taking into account weather conditions and outdoor surfaces (e.g. wet grass, hard concrete). Discussion with young people prior to session about taking extra care when moving around outside. Trained first aiders and first aid kit at session to deal with any minor injuries. Minimum 3 trained staff at any outdoors provision. Fully charged mobile phone at all times in case need to contact medical services.

**RISK RATING 2 x 3 = 6/LOW**

**Risk 2: putting up/taking down tent, minor injury or damage to tent, young people/staff/others. RISK RATING 3 x 2 = 6/LOW**

**MITIGATIONS:** Tent is put up by capable/trained staff member, following instructions. Tent site is appropriate for requirements. Enough staff present to put up/take down tent safely. Trained first aiders and first aid kit at session to deal with any minor injuries. Fully charged mobile phone at all times in case need to contact medical services.

**RISK RATING 1 x 2 = 2/LOW**

**Risk 3: Guy ropes and other trip hazards, re - young people/staff/others**

**RISK RATING 2 x 5 = 10/MEDIUM**

**MITIGATIONS:** tent will be sited appropriately so as to minimise risk. YP will be briefed re tripping hazard. Staff will supervise YP at all times. Trained first aiders and first aid kit at session to deal with any minor injuries. Fully charged mobile phone at all times in case need to contact medical services. **RISK RATING 1 X 5 = 5/LOW**

**Risk 4: weather conditions affecting participation - hayfever/allergies, sunburn, insect bites, cold/wet, windy - young people/staff/others RISK RATING 2 x 5 = 10/MEDIUM**

**MITIGATIONS:** Weather forecasts will be monitored and participants advised to dress appropriately for the season/weather. Any allergies or medical conditions that could be affected by the weather e.g. hayfever will be known to staff from YP's registration information. Trained first aiders and first aid kit at session to deal with any minor injuries. Fully charged mobile phone at all times in case need to contact medical services. Adhere to OYCI weather policy for guidance on when an outdoor session may need to be cancelled due to the weather.

**RISK RATING 1 X 5 = 5/LOW**

**Risk 5: hazard from dog poo in public area causing infection (toxocara canis) - young people/staff/others RISK RATING 2 x 5 = 10/MEDIUM**

**MITIGATIONS:** Staff will check the area as part of the preparation for the outdoor session. Any dog poo found will be safely removed by staff wearing PPE (gloves, disposable apron) using dog poo bags and deposited in a dog poo bin. Staff will safely remove PPE which will be disposed of in a PPE waste sack, and wash and sanitise hands. **RISK RATING**

**1 X 5 = 5/LOW**

***Risk 6: hazard from broken glass, stones, sticks/wood, cans in public area causing injury - young people/staff/others*** RISK RATING 2 x 4 = 8/LOW

**MITIGATIONS:** Staff will check the area as part of the preparation for the outdoor session. Any items such as glass, sharp stones/sticks, cans that may cause a potential injury will be safely removed by staff wearing PPE (gloves, disposable apron) using litter pickers. Sharp items will be placed inside a cardboard box, then inside a heavy duty refuse sack and disposed of safely. Staff will safely remove PPE which will be disposed of in a PPE waste sack and double bagged, and wash/sanitise hands. RISK RATING 1 X 4 = 4/LOW

***Risk 7: severe weather conditions affecting participation - young people/staff/others*** RISK RATING 3 x 3 = 9/LOW

**MITIGATIONS:** Staff will adhere to OYCI weather policy for guidance on when an outdoor session may need to be cancelled due to the weather. Weather forecasts will be monitored and in the case of amber or red weather warning the outdoor session will be cancelled. Yellow warnings may necessitate cancellation depending on the nature of the activity. Dynamic risk assessment undertaken during a session if weather changes significantly. If a session is cancelled participants will be advised of this and the session either moved to digital or postponed. If a session has to be halted due to a change in the weather, parents/carers will be informed and staff will remain with the YP until they are collected. RISK RATING 2 X 3 = 6/LOW