



How OYCI Calculates Risk, reviewed and updated April 2025

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

Please note: youth work is a dynamic and unpredictable environment and therefore all risks cannot be identified in advance. As situations or environments change, risks fluctuate. Despite our comprehensive pre-planned risk assessments, workers always need to be able to undertake dynamic risk assessments as an immediate response to evolving circumstances. Our priority is the safety and wellbeing of the young people in our care.

This risk assessment should be read in conjunction with the 'Taking Part in Activity' risk assessment which ALWAYS applies.

Electrical Equipment

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Risk 1: burns from electricity - young people/staff. RISK RATING 2 x 3 = 6/LOW

MITIGATIONS: All plugs to be checked and securely fitted. All equipment is new and/or subject to a 6-month visual check and regular PAT testing; in line with Health and Safety Executive advice - <https://www.hse.gov.uk/pubns/indg236.pdf>. Staff are trained on the appropriate use of extension cables. Trained fire wardens will regularly check sockets for potential fire risks. 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 emergency services.
RISK RATING 1 x 3 = 3/LOW

Risk 2: tripping hazard electrical cables - young people/staff RISK RATING 3 x 3 = 9/LOW

MITIGATIONS: Any cables to be covered/taped so as not to pose a tripping hazard. YP briefed re cables at start of session. Staff to supervise young people 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 2 x 3 = 6/LOW

Risk 3: electric shock - young people/staff RISK RATING 3 x 3 = 9/LOW

MITIGATIONS: We have outdoor extension cables that are weatherproof and can be used safely in the wet. Cables for all equipment will be checked regularly to ensure there are no frayed or unsafe cables. If YP are bringing own devices to any session, staff will check these cables for signs of damage. 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. The Ben Cleuch Centre is fully risk assessed and any maintenance issues will be reported to the landlord in a timely manner. **RISK RATING 1 X 3 = 3/LOW**