

**DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL  
MANAGEMENT OF HEALTH & SAFETY AT WORK REGULATIONS  
CHILDREN & YOUNGER ADULTS (CAYA)**



**GENERAL HEALTH & SAFETY RISK ASSESSMENT FOR:**

Zipwires

PART 1 : ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Section/Establishment Name: White Hall Centre

Date of Assessment

Date of Issue

Assessment carried out by

Signature

Reviews

Review Date	Reviewed by	Date	Changes Made	
			Y	N

Affected persons:

Young People/Clients

Staff

Visitors

Contractor

Others (specify)

Name of Manager confirming and agreeing Assessment:

Signature:

The following sections should be completed by all staff who need to be made aware of and abide by the findings of the Risk Assessment. NB: If, as a result of a review, changes are made to the Risk Assessment the relevant box on the attached page should be completed as appropriate by the staff concerned.

## RISK ASSESSMENT

What are the hazards?	Generic Control Measures implemented	✓ X	Person to implement	Additional Control measures needed to reduce risk to an acceptable level	Person to implement	Date to be actioned
<p><b>General</b></p> <p><b>Equipment Malfunction</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Suitably qualified &amp; experienced instructor (includes First Aid).</li> <li>• New instructors will receive a full induction</li> <li>• Use of self- belay when setting up</li> <li>• Clear briefings &amp; supervision</li> <li>• All accidents, near misses and incidents are recorded. Safety reviewed in staff meetings.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All equipment checked prior to use.</li> <li>• Regular checks, maintenance &amp; renewal schedule</li> <li>• Designated High &amp; Low ropes responsibility (Deputy, Tutor)</li> <li>• All equipment to correspond to required standards</li> <li>• Personal protective equipment checked for correct fitting &amp; monitored throughout activity by the instructor</li> </ul>	✓		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Instructors inducted on self-belay and rescue of students</li> <li>• Monitoring of staff</li> <li>• Re-induction days</li> <li>• Safety Culture of openness and sharing promoted</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Visual inspection by the instructor, recorded in Day Book</li> <li>• Weekly inspection</li> <li>• Yearly Independent safety check carried out</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Helmet &amp; Harness check by instructor</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Re-checked if removed for any reason e.g. toilet break, drinks break</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure long hair tied back to avoid getting caught in Gri Gri</li> </ul>		

<p><b>Weather</b></p> <p><b>Falling/impact/hit by moving object</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Instructor to check weather forecast &amp; equipment prior to session &amp; observe conditions throughout. Change plans and equipment/elements used as necessary.</li><li>• Ensure participants have suitable &amp; adequate clothing</li></ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Briefing of students &amp; Staff</li><li>• Correct use of equipment</li><li>• Induction of instructors</li><li>• Big zip rigged with safety/rescue equipment</li></ul>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Be aware of slip hazards: wooden elements when wet, ice/snow</li></ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Specific Zipwire briefing: check 'runway' is clear</li><li>• Be aware of orienteers</li><li>• Trailing rope entrapment</li><li>• Trips &amp; falls running down to pull students back to the lowering point</li><li>• Culture of accident, incident &amp; near miss reporting, reviewing and sharing</li></ul>		
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