

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
Competency	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suitably qualified NGB & experienced instructor or been through the internal sign off process. New instructors will receive a full induction Clear briefings & supervision All accidents, near misses and incidents are recorded. Safety reviewed in staff meetings. <p>Private Group Books NGB qualifications</p>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring of staff Re-induction days Safety Culture of openness and sharing promoted Anything requiring attention recorded in ropes course log and mentioned to management <p>Private Group Wall Hire- NGB/Site Specific Qualification required. Private Wall Hire – induction/safety procedures/fire procedure/ assembly points</p>		
Falling/injury	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bouldering; student safety briefing, including falling safely. Bouldering over the blue matt area and below the line where the black crumb matting is. Explain height limit for the boulder and how to descend safely, followed by practicing the descent route. Appropriate footwear worn. Private Bookings: Wall conditions of use read and adhered to. 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Briefing on bouldering near a corner, fall zones, don't climb above or below anyone. Don't walk under a climber. Use of bouldering mats if appropriate. 		
Holds spinning	Regular checks by Department Holder. Groups briefed on the potential of holds spinning			Loose holds reported or tightened by WH instructor		
Equipment failure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All equipment checked prior to use. Regular checks, maintenance & renewal schedule. All equipment to correspond to required standards. Personal protective equipment checked for correct fitting & monitored throughout activity by the instructor. Recorded equipment and fixing checks (climbing wall and tower inventory). 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PPE yearly checks. Any faulty equipment to be tagged and placed in PPE bin and reported to department head. 		

<p>Injury, Falling/roped climbing</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Harness fitted correctly & checked by the instructor. • Group assessed for ability to Peer Belay. • Instructor uses NGB skills, operational and safety procedures in managing group peer-belaying. 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re-checked if toilet visit or drinks stop etc. • Method used to suit ability/age/maturity of group. • Number of ropes in operation dependent on the ability of the group through a Dynamic Risk Assessment. • All ropes are always in view of the instructor. • Instructor to hold tail of rope if peer belaying used • Ensure long hair tied back to avoid getting caught in Gri Gri. 		
<p>Weather</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instructor to check weather forecast & equipment prior to session & observe conditions throughout. Change plans if necessary. Don't use the Tower in really windy conditions. • Ensure participants have suitable & adequate clothing. 					
<p>Illness</p>	<p>Information about existing medical conditions known by staff. Parental consent & medical forms.</p>			<p>Check medication that may need to be accessed immediately is carried on the activity e.g. Inhaler/Epi-pen.</p>		