Beaudesert Outdoor Activity Centre

Fire Lighting Risk Assessment

Risks we think are specific to Fire Lighting

Burns	Participants	The group is briefed by the site instructor before the activity begins. The group are advised not to play with the fire or pick up any part of the fire or to touch the fire once it is lit. Bucket of water in the area in case of incidents.	Trivial if controls are followed
Splinters	Participants	The activity instructor briefs the group to be careful with wood to try to avoid splinters. There is a first aid qualified member of staff on site able to deal with splinters should one occur.	Trivial if controls are followed
Poor food hygiene	All	We limit food to simple packet food which is opened on the day (eg marshmallows), and hot drinks such as tea and coffee.	Trivial if controls are followed
Improper use of knife	All	Knife use limited to instructors only for prepping the bow drill before an attempt at creating an ember.	Trivial If controls are followed
Injury from wooden drill releasing from bow	Participants	Participants made aware that drill can ping out of bow, instructors to show proper body positioning to avoid contact with drill when released from bow.	Tolerable If controls are followed

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Risk Assessment Approved by:	Michael Barrett	Date: 01/03/2023	