Beaudesert Outdoor Activity Centre

Generic Off Ground Risk Assessment

What are the hazards? What can cause harm?	Who might be harmed	What are you already doing? What are you doing to control hazards and the chance of someone getting hurt?	Do you need to do anything else to control this risk? By following this risk assessment, are the hazards & chances of someone being harmed adequately controlled?
		See 'Generic Activity Risk Assessment'	
Falls from height	Group	Approved belay system used. Appropriate PPE used e.g helmet (where appropriate) and harness. Trained instructors. Final checks to be completed before participants leave the ground.	Tolerable if controls are followed
Equipment failure	Group & Instructor	Pre-usage checks to be completed by a competent person. Closer inspected periodically by competent person. Any changes are recorded and monitored. Ground belay anchor points are not directly loaded so do not need to meet weight test standards.	Tolerable if controls are followed
'Frozen' client due to fear of heights or unconscious casualty	Group & Rescuer	Stay calm and reassure the participant. Lower them down when appropriate. Rescuer available on site.	Tolerable if controls are followed
Injuries from falling debris, including action cameras.	Group & Instructor	UIAA Approved helmets to be worn by participants unless agreed by a senior member of the activity team based on an individual risk assessment. Brief the group and ensure they keep their helmets on at all times. Instructor to be vigilant and avoid dropping any equipment when at height. Group to be kept at a safe distance from the activity when not participating. Action cameras to be used only if fitted with a secure mounting bracket, Action cameras to be used at the discretion of the instructor. Pockets must be empty prior to participating in the activity. Appropriate footwear to be worn with laces tied up.	Tolerable if controls are followed
Extreme weather	Group & Instructor	Activity doesn't commence or it is immediately stopped and the area vacated. Examples of extreme weather might include: fog/mist, poor light, torrential rain, thunder, lightning, cold, heat, & wind	Tolerable if controls are followed

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