Beaudesert Outdoor Activity Centre

Pedal Karts 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	
Collision with other karts & tyres	Participants	Participants briefed on how to ride the karts including the brake. Helmets must be worn. Kart to exit the track after circuits. All karts to travel clockwise	Trivial if controls are followed
Collision with pedestrians	Participants & Non- Participants	No pedestrians on the track. There are tyres walls to identify the start of the track. Participants briefed on how to ride the karts including the brake. Waiting area/pits on a straight - and not or near a bend. Group brief on the risk of non-participants entering the track area. Participants brief on where to and where not to ride	Tolerable <i>if controls are followed</i>
Rolling or falling out the kart	Participants	Safe speed maintained especially on corners. Helmets to be worn. Participants briefed not to turn sharply at speed. Gloves are provided to stop minor grazes to hands.	Trivial / Tolerable if controls are followed
Manual handling injuries	Participants & Instructor	Karts should be wheeled rather than lifted where possible.	Trivial if controls are followed
Trapped & broken lower limbs by pedals	Participants	The pedals setting should be in the free turning mode where possible. If they are in the fixed mode the pedals will turn when the rider stops pedalling. This can lead to legs being broken. Participants must be briefed of this hazard.	Tolerable if controls are followed
Unauthorised Use	Public, other site users	Karts should be locked up when not in use. This could be either inside the container or with a cable when already in-situ the track.	Trivial if controls are followed
Faulty Karts	Participants Participants	Karts are should be pre-checked by a Beaudesert Instructor. 'Out of order / do not use' signs should be places on the seat of any bike not save to use. March 2004	Trivial if controls are followed
Trips inside container due to poor lighting	Instructor & adult helps	There is no overhead lighting in the container. Only instructors and adult helpers to enter container. There is a large flashlight for the instructor on overcast days.	Tolerable if controls are followed

Floor should be kept clear of trip hazard – other than bikes – to the rear of the container. March 2024	
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