

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'	
Slips, trips and falls with equipment	Group & Instructor	Heavy, bulky equipment to be carried between two or more persons. Instructors to choose an area with suitable terrain for the build and check for natural hazards in the build area. All participants to be checked for suitable footwear and attire for nature of activity (March 2024)	Trivial <i>if controls are followed</i>
Head injuries from contact with equipment	Group & Instructor	Care when handling equipment. Structure is secure before leaving it unattended to prevent it collapsing.	Trivial <i>if controls are followed</i>
Back/lifting injuries	Group & Instructor	Correct lifting procedure. Heavy or bulky equipment to be lifted by two or more persons, straight back and bent knees whilst lifting.	Trivial <i>if controls are followed</i>
Fingers, feet and other body parts trapped between or under poles.	Group & Instructor	Controlled by group leader. Close attention if more than one person working on same pole.	Trivial <i>if controls are followed</i>
Structures collapsing / Falls from height	Group & Instructor	Controlled by group leader, correct knots and lashings to be used, limit loading on structure. Full briefing should be given to all participants above 1 metre in height, spotters to be used when any of the participants are off the ground.	Trivial <i>if controls are followed</i>
Sharp edges on barrels	Group & instructor	Gloves provided to participants for the session.	Trivial <i>if controls are followed</i>

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		Potential severity of harm		
		Slightly Harmful 1	Harmful 2	Extremely Harmful 3
Likelihood of	Highly unlikely 1	Trivial 1	Tolerable 2	Moderate 3
	Unlikely	Tolerable	Moderate	Substantial

Slightly harmful: Superficial injuries; minor cuts and bruises; eye irritation from dust, nuisance and irritation (e.g. headaches); ill-health leading to temporary discomfort.

Harmful: Lacerations; burns; concussion; serious sprains; minor fractures, deafness; dermatitis; asthma; work related upper limb disorders; ill-health leading to permanent minor disability.

Extremely harmful: Amputations; major fractures; poisonings; multiple injuries; fatal injuries, occupational cancer; other severely life shortening diseases; acute fatal diseases