# Risk Assessment – Explorer Trek, Backwoods Pizza Base

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| **Hazard Identified & Risks from It?** | **Who is at Risk?** | **How are the risks controlled?** | **What has changed that needs to be thought about and controlled?** |
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| Burns, risk of injury. | Young People & Staff | * Staff to supervise young people when they are close to the fire.
* Staff to remind young people to be careful when close to the fire.
* Staff and young people to take care when removing grills from the fire and handling hot food.
* No lit sticks or embers to be removed from the fire.
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| Allergic reaction to food. | Young People | * Staff to check if any young people have food allergies before starting the activity.
* Any foods which could cause an allergic reaction to be segregated along with any utensils used.
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| Food poisoning. | Young People | * Staff must ensure that perishable food is stored in cool boxes.
* Staff must ensure that everyone follows best practice for food hygiene, including hand washing and keeping food preparation areas clean.
* Staff to check that food is cooked properly before it is consumed.
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| Loss of control of fire, risk to people in the area and risk of damage to the environment. | Young People, Staff, Public & Environment | * Staff must not leave fire unattended.
* Staff must light fire a suitable distance away from plants and trees.
* Staff must use a fire pit or make sure that a stone boundary is in place around the fire.
* Staff must make sure that a full fire bucket is located close to the fire.
* Staff must make sure that fires have been fully extinguished at the end of the activity.
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| Dehydration and Heat Exhaustion | Young People | * Staff to check that young people bring a full water bottle with them to the activity.
* Staff to monitor young people throughout the activity and advise anyone who is overheating to rest in the shade and drink water.
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| Sunburn | Young People | * If weather is sunny, or forecast to be sunny, staff to check that young people are wearing sun cream.
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| Cold and Hypothermia | Young People | * If weather is wet or forecast to rain, staff to check that young people have brought a waterproof jacket to the activity.
* Staff to check the young people are suitably clothed for the weather conditions, e.g. have jumpers / jackets with them.
* Shelter to be available at the activity location, e.g. event shelter.
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