

Blair Atholl Risk Assessment 2024

Name of activity, event, and location	Events Team - Risk Assessment 2 Outdoor events I.E.– Opening ceremony, International Campfire, Scouts own, Athollantics & Closing ceremony	Date of risk assessment	09/07/2024	Name of person doing this risk assessment	Jacob Wood
		Date of next review	Before the 2026 camp		

What could go wrong? What hazard have you identified? What are the risks from it?	Who is at risk?	What are you going to do about it? How are the risks already controlled? What extra controls are needed? How will they be communicated to young people and adults and remain inclusive to all needs?	Review & revise What has changed that needs to be thought about and controlled?
Hazard: Fire, Flames, Sparks Risk: Burns	Everyone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only designated staff near and placing wood on the fire. There should be the appropriate subcamp leaders with each subcamp. Restrict access to the fire by using a defined area. Do not add other items to the fire such as rubbish. To start a fire only use kindling or bought fire lighters. Do not use accelerants on the fire (any substance or mixture that accelerates or speeds the development and escalation of fire) – such as petrol, lighter fuel and other spirits. Appropriate footwear and clothing to be worn around fires. No open toe shoes. Avoid loose clothing - watch out for open coats, sleeves and scarves.. Tie back loose hair. Do not reach over fires or flames. First aid team and camp doctor will be available should anything go wrong. Make sure that cold water is available nearby – there should be at least 2 fire buckets plus extinguishers 	
Hazard: Fire Risk: uncontrol spread of fire; environmental damage	Everyone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Site Services should make sure the appropriate extinguishers are nearby and an appropriate quantity is also near the fire should they need to be used. (I.E. water buckets/sand or soil buckets / fire extinguisher / fire beaters). The fire will either be dug into a hole into the ground or in a fire pit. All grass directly around the area will be made wet to reduce the risk of spreading. 	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Appropriate emergency exit routes are highlighted in the playbook. • ALWAYS call 999. • Size of fire should reflect the area of the fire pit, distance from audience/electrical equipment. • The fire should not be allowed to get too big. 	
Hazard: Behaviour Risk: Overexcitement	Young People	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subcamp leaders in charge of managing their subcamp young people. 	
Hazard: Smoke Risk: ill health to participants	Everyone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leaders should supervise young people and remind them to remove themselves if they have difficulty breathing. • Subcamp leaders AND camp doctors team should be aware of any breathing related medical conditions (E.G. asthma) and ensure that the appropriate medication is at hand. 	
Hazard: Crowding Risk: people injured	Everyone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Subcamps will be directed into the parade and up to the location and should follow Event team staff instructions AT ALL TIMES who shall instruct when and where subcamps will join and decant into the appropriate area for the event. 	
Hazard: Electrocutation Risk: injury	Events team members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All electrical equipment will be located under shelter. 	
Hazard: loose cables Risk: tripping	Everyone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cables that are not protected (I.E. out of harms way) will be either marked off in an area where only events staff will be permitted or if that is not possible have a casing on them so they are more visible (pool noodle) 	
Hazard: feedback / extremely loud noises	Everyone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Events team members who are using sound equipment will be suitable trained/shown how to use it and how other equipment works so minimal pops/bangs/feedback should happen 	

Don't forget, as part of your programme planning, you should have contingency activities in reserve just in case you can't do what was planned or you need to stop half way through. Make sure this is shared with those involved, so everyone knows how to respond. You should have risk assessed contingency activities prior to them taking place and communicated key information to those involved as with all activities.

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