

# OFFSITE RISK ASSESSMENT – PLAY AREAS WITH EQUIPMENT

Next Gen Alternative  
Provision

Offsite Visits – Use of Play Areas with Equipment

<b>ACTIVITY:</b> Offsite Visits – Use of Play Areas with Equipment		<b>Visit Leader:</b>			
<b>Visit Details:</b>				<b>Date of Visit:</b>	
<b>Assessment by:</b>		<b>Date:</b>	<b>Target Date for review:</b>		
<b>Approved by:</b>		<b>Position:</b>		<b>Date:</b>	
<b>Significant Hazards and Associated Risks</b> Those hazards which may result in serious harm or affect several people	<b>Those who might be harmed</b> Persons at risk from the significant hazards identified	<b>Control Measures (CM's):</b> Controls, including relevant sources of guidance (e.g. Generic Risk Assessments, Guidance from Provider, etc.). Specific CM's not included in the generic RA (e.g. briefings, actions by leaders / participants, qualifications / experience of supervisors)		<b>Additional CM's required?</b> If existing CM's cannot be met or circumstances have changed	<b>Residual Risk Rating (H / M / L)</b>
All accidents	All group members, including leaders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This generic risk assessment will be read in addition to the generic risk assessment "General Considerations"</li> </ul>			
Hazards specific to play areas e.g. climbing frames, bridges, towers, swings, rockers, etc → falls, collisions	Group members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Visit Leader to be familiar with guidance offered by site management including emergency and first aid procedures and how to contact duty staff / manager, if required</li> <li>Young people will be fully briefed regarding required behaviour, potential hazards, "no-go areas", and safety measures / procedures                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>no jumping from the top of equipment or climbing over safety barriers</li> <li>"clear" elements such as slides, before next person uses it</li> </ul> </li> <li>Leaders to make visual check of site before use and arrange for removal of any animal faeces, broken glass etc and broken equipment to be cordoned off / removed if not done so already</li> <li>Leaders to be appropriately positioned around the play area as required.</li> </ul>			

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Individuals lost or separated		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Group to remain within boundary (fence) of play area</li> <li>• Individuals to be directed / accompanied by staff to the toilets or refreshment areas as appropriate</li> <li>• Designated meeting points</li> </ul>		
Confrontation with members of public		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Appropriate briefing to young people on required behaviour / Code of Conduct                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ remain in pairs or threes (buddy system - each responsible for named other)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
Incident / Emergency - no staff present		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• System of emergency contact in place</li> <li>• Staffing allocation takes account of medical and behavioural conditions</li> </ul>		
Weather extremes		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Protective clothing etc. according to time of year and weather forecast</li> <li>• Consideration given to possibly increased slipperiness of some surfaces when wet or icy</li> </ul>		

REVIEWS:		
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