

ACTIVITY - Bushcraft (Den Building, Fire Lighting and Fire cooking)

MINIMUM INSTRUCTOR QUALIFICATION - HLAC In-house Trained

INSTRUCTOR : PARTICIPANT RATIO - 1:12

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Risk	Who Might Be Harmed	Measures to Minimise Risk
Fire Lighting and cooking - Burns, Abrasions, smoke inhalation or wildfire spread	Participants, Volunteers, Instructors, Third parties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instructors to give full safety briefing prior to start of activities. • Accelerants, such as petrol or spirits must not be used at any time. • Ensure long hair has been tied back out of the way. • Instructors to ensure that participants don't get too close to the fires. • Ensure operating areas are clear of any flammable substances. • Fires must only be lit in the provided pits. • Do not add any green/fresh materials to the fires to avoid excess smoke. • Ensure a hose or bucket of water is in the facility before lighting fires. • First aider to be on site at all times during activity.
Shelter Building - Cuts, splinters, scratches and injuries associated with moving and assembling wooden structures.	Participants, volunteers, instructors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instructors are to give a full safety briefing prior to the start of activities. • Instructors to supervise the building of shelters, and intervene if structures don't look sturdy. • Instructors to enforce the "If it's bigger than you it takes two" manual handling rule. • Participants to be mindful of who is around them when manoeuvring logs and give each other space. • Ensure participants don't enter shelters until they have been inspected by an instructor.
Cooking - Food poisoning, irritation or intolerances	Participants, Volunteers, Instructors.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instructors to give full safety briefing prior to start of activity • Ensure that any meat has been temperature tested with a probe before being eaten. • Ensure that all participants have made the centre aware of any allergies and intolerances before the start of the session. • Ensure that all instructors on the session are aware of any allergies in their group. • Participants only to cook and eat in date foods. • Any medication needed by participants is to be with either the participant, their instructor, or in the building where the instructor and participant has access to it. • First aider to be on site at all times.

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Cooking - Burns and scalds from fires, hot water, cooking pots and hot foods.	Participants, Volunteers, Instructors.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instructors to give full safety brief prior to start of activity. • Food hygiene rules to be followed at all times. • Only allow participants to cook on the fires if instructors are sure that their behaviour is safe. • Only allow cooking once the fire has died down to embers. • Position all participants so that the instructor can see them all while cooking. • When serving hot liquids, bring the cups to the kettle, and pour into cups that are on the ground, not in someones hand. • Use heat proof gloves to remove pan lids when hot. • Warn participants that the food may be hot.
Shelter Building - Slips, trips and falls.	Participants, Volunteers, Instructors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Instructors to give full safety briefing prior to start of activity. • Ensure that participant don't run while around fallen branches and sticks. • Ensure that Participants do not run while carrying sticks or logs. • Enforce the "If it's bigger than you, it takes two" manual handling rule. • While in the council back field, participants are not to run due to the uneven ground. • Instructors to carry a working radio at all times. • First aider to be on site at all times with a radio.