



Date of Assessment 10/01/23  
Assessed by J. Salisbury  
 and \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of next Inspection \_\_\_\_\_

## Ashworth Valley Ladder climb Risk Assessment

Hazard	People at risk	Control measures	Review
Normal hazards associated with climbing (i.e., falls from height, impact with something solid)	All involved in the session	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sessions to be run using techniques laid out in the procedure notes.</li> <li>All staff must have passed the in-house training and assessment.</li> <li>Personal protective equipment must be used at all times.</li> </ol>	
Risk of entrapment in ladder.	climber	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participants warned of danger during briefing.</li> <li>Participants to be provided with helmets and checked for proper fitting by instructor.</li> <li>Message to be reinforced when necessary.</li> <li>Stuck climber and ladder to be lowered in a safe manner as per training.</li> </ol>	
Weather, sessions may become dangerous due to adverse weather conditions	All involved	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sessions may have to be cancelled during periods of heavy rain and storms.</li> <li>Slippery wet ropes should be replaced with dry ropes from the store after rain has stopped.</li> </ol>	
Unauthorised climbing	Intruders	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ladder climb rigging to be dismantled when not in use or tied out of reach if handing over.</li> </ol>	
Hazards arising from the actions of group members i.e. Over crowding Disorderly behaviour.	All involved	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The maximum ratio will be 1:6. Within a two-rope system.</li> <li>Group leader must be present during sessions.</li> <li>If group member's behaviour becomes dangerous the activity must be ended.</li> </ol>	
Hazards arising from the actions of inexperienced leaders	Climber	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Activity to be taken over by trained staff or ended and leader to undergo additional training.</li> </ol>	
Equipment failure	Participants	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All equipment to be inspected and logged in accordance with the inspection and replacement policy. Dedicated Volunteer to frequently monitor defect log and effect repair or replacement.</li> </ol>	

***All Government & Scout Association current Covid Restrictions Must be adhered to at all Times***

Review's to be completed annually or after an incident with instructors' dynamic reviews deemed necessary during activity. Operating procedures must be observed at all times and usage log filled in. If insufficient space for review use back of this form.

***This Risk Assessment does not preclude you from completing your own written or dynamic Risk Assessments***