

Specific Safety Procedures – Problem Solving

PS1	Description:
PS 1.1	All mobile group dynamic initiatives
PS 2	Learning Outcome
PS 2.1	The learning outcome will vary depending on the needs of the Participant and the particular dynamic activity
PS3	Instructor:
PS3.1	Must have understanding of the process of group dynamics and reviewing
PS3.2	Must be aware of possible hazards associated with particular dynamics
PS4	Site Knowledge:
PS4.1	The site selection should be appropriate for the dynamic exercise to be undertaken
PS4.2	The site should not introduce or accentuate any hazard associated with the activity i.e. striving for realism must not compromise safety.
PS4.3	The sites should vary to minimise environmental impact of dynamic activities e.g. erosion
PS5	Participant requirements:
PS5.1	All jewellery, rings and watches that could cause injury must be removed.
PS5.2	Clear explanation and demonstration of the spotting techniques to be employed must be given and understood.
PS6	Equipment
PS6.1	Helmets must be worn where necessary.
PS6.2	All personal safety equipment to be used must be inspected prior to activity commencing.
PS7	Ratios:
PS7.1	One Instructor to ten participants (1:10)
PS8	Weather:
PS8.1	Awareness of the effect of the weather on the activity e.g. slippery ground surface, cold and wet leading to exposure.

Risk Assessment – Problem Solving

Hazard	Identify significant hazards which could cause harm:
1.	Instructor.
2.	Site Selection.
3.	Participants.
4.	Equipment.
5.	Ratio.
6.	Weather.
How	How will people be exposed to Hazard?
1.	Insufficient knowledge or application of safety procedures.
2.	Site selection unsuitable or a new hazard has been introduced.
3.	Group behaviour and approach.
4.	Equipment faulty, not checked properly, or not carried.
5.	Instructor cannot control situation.
6.	Weather conditions inappropriate or deteriorate during session.
Risk	Evaluate risks arising from each hazard (High, Medium, Low)
1.	Low
2.	Low
3.	Medium
4.	Medium
5.	Medium
6.	Low
Action	Prescribed risk management strategies to remove hazard or reduce risk:
1.	Instructor Meets leadership requirements (L3, PS3)
2.	Criteria for site selection observed. (L4, PS4)
3.	Group safety briefing. (L5, PS5)
4.	Equipment checked (L6, PS6)
5.	Effective group management (L3.4, PS5)
6.	Ensure suitable clothing is worn. (PS8, L5.5)
Monitor	How are risk management strategies monitored?
1.	Instructor pass out system
2.	Course report.
3.	Participant evaluation forms.
4.	Near-miss folder.
5.	Incident book.
6.	Weather forecasts.
Review	Review date for this risk assessment: