

Nottingham Climbing Centre

Risk assessment for climbing seasons with groups of young people.

To be read in conjunction with the general risk assessment parts 1 and 2.

<b>Hazard</b>	<b>Risk</b>	<b>People at risk</b>	<b>Controlling measures</b>	<b>Risk level</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Unqualified and incompetent staff	Personal injury	Clients and visiting staff	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. All staff working at the centre will be suitably qualified and experienced.</li> <li>2. All staff will have been screened through the CRB.</li> <li>3. All staff will be first aid trained.</li> <li>4. Visiting staff, where able, will be asked to take an active role in the session.</li> </ol>	Low	
Previous injury or illness being made worse by activity	Personal injury	Clients and visiting staff	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. All group members will be required to have had medical forms completed and have parental consent to climb.</li> <li>2. Any session will start with a warm up.</li> </ol>	Low	
Unsupervised young people	Personal injury and young people becoming lost.	Young people	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. All groups are accounted for at the beginning of a session.</li> <li>2. At the end of a session groups will be handed back to the visiting staff and escorted from the climbing area.</li> <li>3. Toilets are well marked and in the main part of the building.</li> <li>4. Staff will involve as many group members in the activity as possible.</li> </ol>	Medium	
Minor falls and slips during climbing session	Personal injury	Clients and visiting staff	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. All staff and group members are given clear safety guidelines at the start of a session.</li> <li>2. All sessions will start with easy climbs first.</li> <li>3. All groups are supervised at all times by qualified and experienced staff.</li> <li>4. Clear boundaries are set for groups both when climbing and at ground level.</li> <li>5. Any peer group belaying will be closely monitored.</li> </ol>	Low	