Risk Assessment For Northumberland County Scout Council

Activity Specific Risk Assessment (20 November 2002 Revision 5)

Address ……

Party Leader ……

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Tel. No. ……

	The Activity **A** (Least Competent Individual)	**The Activity Leader** **B**	**Environmental** **C** (External Factors)	**Access to First Aid** **D**	**Severity of Possible Injury** **E** (Likely Occurrence of Risk)	**Individual Responsibility** **F of Participant**	
1	Activity within the every day experience of the individual. Appropriate level of competency.	Experienced and qualified at the appropriate level.	Hazards that are predicable. Weather appropriate to the activity. Any change will have no adverse affect on the group.	First Aid qualifications at the appropriate level for the activity.	Minimal possibility of serious injury. No risk occurrence.	All participants are mature in behaviour.	**1**
2	Activity not an every day experience for the individual. Tasks have familiar aspects. Regularly participates in the activity. An adequate level of competency.	Experienced with minimal qualifications. Regular participant.	Hazards that change quickly. Weather appropriate to the activity. Any change will have minimal effect, and will not affect safety.	Qualified in First Aid to a basic level	Serious injury unlikely, infrequent likelihood of occurrence risk.	Some participants are slightly immature in behaviour.	**2**
3	Activity outside the every day experience of the individual. Competency has been achieved in training. Experienced at recreational level. Gained some competency.	Experience and no qualifications. Recreational participant.	Hazards that change quickly. Weather change could lead to problems if the group is not adequately prepared by training or equipment.	Minimal qualifications in First Aid.	Serious injury possible. Regular possibility of occurrence of risk.	Some participants are immature in behaviour	**3**
4	Activity outside the every day experience of the individual. Training has been given. Some experience at an introductory level. No competency.	Some experience. Limited recreational participant.	Close proximity to water, cliffs or other dangerous topographical feature. Weather change could lead to serious problems if the group is not adequately prepared by training or equipment.	No qualifications in First Aid.	Serious injury possible. Frequent possibility of occurrence of risk	All participants are immature in behaviour.	**4**
5	Activity outside the experience of the individual. No training relative to the activity. Absolute novice. No experience of the activity and/or has special needs.	No experience. Limited recreational participant.	Travel to other countries/areas classified by POR as remote/hazardous. Weather change could have serious repercussions for the group.	No qualifications in First Aid.	Serious injury possible. Occurrence possible at all times of risk.	All participants are irresponsible and untrustworthy	**5**

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Assessment **0** **Low Risk** The possibility and nature of an accident occurring are not substantially different to those encountered in every day experience.	Assessment **11-19** **Medium Risk** The hazard encountered are outside the group's experience but by adopting principles of safe/best practice should bring them to an acceptable level.	Assessment **20-25** **High Risk** The hazards encountered are either extreme or very much beyond the every day experience of the group. The repercussions of an accident could lead to serious consequence.	Assessment **26-30** **Unacceptable Risk** The hazards encountered are far beyond the experience of the group and party leader.

Following assessment what action will you take to improve your management of the risk.

Signed …… Date ……