

Waddow Hall - Risk Assessment

Activity: Grass sledging

Date: January 2009

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Activity	Hazard / Danger	Severity: High Medium Low	Likelihood : Very Likely Fairly Likely Possible Unlikely Very Unlikely	Control measures	Risk assessment after Control measures: High Medium Low	Review date
Lifting and carrying sledges	Back injury or drop sledge	Medium	Possible	Participants work in pairs to carry sleds. Lift with knees bent, straight back. Use correct lifting technique	Low	Jan 2010
WD40 spray on sledges, collecting from shed	Chemical	Low	Possible	Participants not allowed in sledge hut. Sprays kept in locked metal cupboard. COSSHE held. Gloves and Eye wear available	Low	Jan 2010
Riding sledges, trapped fingers in runners.	Finger/hand injury Other injury.	High	Unlikely	Care advised and told t keep hands inside sledge when riding. Keep hands on brakes. Advised to sit upright in sledge. Adult supervision.	Low	Jan 2010
Collisions of sledges or with other participants	Fall, injury	Medium	Possible	Await clearance of slope run before next sledges are released. Walk back up side of slope. Adult supervision.	Low	Jan 2010
Slope bumpy, when river too high the water pools lower part of hill	Fall out of sledge, injury	Medium	Possible	Participants aware of slopes, bumps. First aid kit held. Leader informed where First Aid kit located. Sleds sessions cancelled if grass too wet.	Low	Jan 2010
Sledge equipment failure	Injury	Medium	Possible	Broken sledges recorded, reported to SAI or Y&AM and unused until repaired. Lubricated before and after session. 3 monthly equipment checks. First aid kit held.	Low	Jan 2010