

BCV RISK MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE



CRATE CLIMB – MILL VALLEY RANCH

USE RATING: A

- Use:
- A Must be operated by Baptist Camping Victoria qualified staff
 - B In house training at Baptist Camping Victoria required before using this equipment
 - C Safe operating procedures must be read and adhered to by all users of this equipment
 - D Does not apply

Risk	Likelihood	Consequences	Initial Level of Risk	Description of risk	Risk management strategy	Revised level of risk
Slip, Trip, Fall	Possible	Moderate	MEDIUM	1.Tripping on edge of concrete pad 2.Tripping over crates on ground.	1. Ensure regular mulching of the area around the crate climb pads 2.Define safe zone areas	LOW
Exposure to elements	Possible	Moderate	MEDIUM	1.Participants may suffer heatstroke or sunstroke in extreme heat, especially children or elderly 2.Risk of electrocution in storms 3.Risk of hypothermia in cold conditions 4.Risk of slipping in wet conditions	1.Wear sun protection in hot weather 2.Do not run activity in temperatures above 34°C 3.Cease activity when thunder is audible. 4.Participants should wear clothing appropriate to conditions 5.Do not conduct activity if deemed unsafe due to weather conditions 6. Encourage adequate fluid intake.	LOW
Bites & Stings	Possible	Major	MEDIUM	1.Participants may be bitten by wildlife	1.Warn participants of potential risk, particularly when picking up items from the ground. 2.Staff must have first aid kit with them at activity 3.Reduce risk by filling in ant holes 4.Reduce leaf litter and ground coverage that may attract snakes	LOW
Cut or stabbed	Possible	Moderate	MEDIUM	1.Falling towards crate being passed by.	1.Clear instruction regarding when to pass up crates 2.Encourage awareness of climber at all times 3.Always check with participants before passing crates up.	LOW
Struck, Crushed or Entangled	Possible	Major	MEDIUM	1.Struck by falling crates 2.Falling towards pole 3.Tangled in the rope	1.Clearly define safe standing zone when passing crates 2.Clearly define safe waiting zone 3.Maintain awareness of the climber at all times 4.Helmets must be worn by all standing in the climbing zone 5.All zones to be clearly marked. 6. All hair tied up to prevent entanglement in hardware.	LOW
Ergonomic Injury	Possible	Moderate	MEDIUM	1.Lifting weight of crates above the head.	1. Enforce maximum of 3 crates to be lifted by hand. 2.Additional crates to be lifted by crate hoist.	LOW
Impact with Ground	Possible	Catastrophic	High	1.Slack rope when climbing	1.All staff must hold suitable certification and competency before running activity 2.All staff must remain attentive at all times	LOW

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Swooping Magpies	Possible	Moderate	MEDIUM	1. Magpies swoop participants	1. Monitor closely in Spring	LOW
Restricted access in an emergency	Possible	Major	MEDIUM	1. Access to Crate Climb is blocked	1. Ensure easy access to activity and inform office of alternate route if necessary	LOW



RISK ASSESSMENT MATRIX

Baptist Camping Victoria prioritises safety for all activities and uses this Risk Matrix as a tool to assess and manage risk effectively.

		Consequence				
		Minor	Moderate	Major	Critical	Catastrophic
Likelihood	Rare	Low	Low	Low	Low	Medium
	Unlikely	Low	Low	Medium	Medium	Medium
	Possible	Low	Medium	Medium	High	High
	Likely	Medium	Medium	High	High	Extreme
	Almost Certain	Medium	High	High	Extreme	Extreme

Consequence	Minor	Moderate	Major	Critical	Catastrophic
Health and Safety	Injury treatable in workplace (First aid)	Minor injury requiring professional medical attention or lost time from workplace	Injury requiring hospitalisation	Major Injury requiring prolonged hospitalisation and rehabilitation.	Injury causing significant permanent disability or death

Likelihood	Definition
Almost certain	Is expected to occur; almost inevitable
Likely	Will occur in most circumstances; not surprising if it happens
Possible	Possible or likely to occur in some circumstance
Unlikely	Could occur in some circumstances; surprised if it happens
Rare	May occur only in rare or exceptional circumstances, but would be highly unexpected

