

Thriftwood Scout Campsite Risk Assessment: Postman's Walk

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Next Review Date: 1/4/2027

| Hazard | Who might be harmed | Existing controls | Severity 1-10 | Likelihood 1-10 | Rating (SxL) | Further Actions Required |
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| Slipping / Tripping | All | Participants advised of risks prior to use. Equipment and area checked prior to use. Monthly Inspections. Highlight belay wire as a trip hazard. | 6 | 3 | 18 | Adequately controlled |
| Falling | Participant | Instructors to hold Scout Climbing permit. Petzl rig or similar device and type A semi static rope to reduce rope stretch . If wet, have a spotter when participant climbs inclined log. Controlled lower off. | 8 | 2 | 16 | Adequately controlled |
| Equipment Failure | Participant | Instructors to check equipment prior to session. Quarterly inspections. Annual Inspection by Rope course inspector. | 8 | 2 | 16 | Adequately controlled |
| Horseplay | All | Activity to be supervised by appropriate adult | 6 | 2 | 12 | Adequately controlled |
| Poor Harnesses | Participant | Checked by instructors prior to climbing. Quarterly inspections by competent persons | 8 | 2 | 16 | Adequately controlled |
| Rope burn / holding the Rope | Participant | Trained staff | 3 | 3 | 9 | Trivial Risk |
| Splinters | Participant | Treated and sanded timber supplied from rope course supplier | 3 | 5 | 15 | Adequately controlled |
| Limb entrapment | Participant | Instruct participants how to climb staples correctly | 6 | 2 | 12 | Adequately controlled |
| Inverting | Participants | Participants provided with chest & sit harnesses | 8 | 2 | 16 | Adequately controlled |
| Adverse Weather | All | Activity stopped during electrical storms heavy rain or high wind | 8 | 1 | 8 | Trivial Risk |

See Site Procedures for action.

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| Rating | 81-100 | 61-80 | 41-60 | 21-40 | 11-20 | 0-10 |
| Action | Immediate Action | Action within 1 week | Not adequately controlled | Further Investigation | Adequately Controlled | Trivial Risk |