

Risk Assessment – Explorer Trek, Backwoods Pizza Base

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Hazard Identified & Risks from It?	Who is at Risk?	How are the risks controlled?	What has changed that needs to be thought about and controlled?
Burns, risk of injury.	Young People & Staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff to supervise young people when they are close to the fire. • Staff to remind young people to be careful when close to the fire. • Staff and young people to take care when removing grills from the fire and handling hot food. • No lit sticks or embers to be removed from the fire. 	
Allergic reaction to food.	Young People	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff to check if any young people have food allergies before starting the activity. • Any foods which could cause an allergic reaction to be segregated along with any utensils used. 	
Food poisoning.	Young People	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff must ensure that perishable food is stored in cool boxes. • Staff must ensure that everyone follows best practice for food hygiene, including hand washing and keeping food preparation areas clean. • Staff to check that food is cooked properly before it is consumed. 	

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Loss of control of fire, risk to people in the area and risk of damage to the environment.	Young People, Staff, Public & Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff must not leave fire unattended. • Staff must light fire a suitable distance away from plants and trees. • Staff must use a fire pit or make sure that a stone boundary is in place around the fire. • Staff must make sure that a full fire bucket is located close to the fire. • Staff must make sure that fires have been fully extinguished at the end of the activity. 	
Neckies / name badges dangling into the fire, risk of catching fire and causing injury to wearer.	Young People & Staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neckies and name badges to be removed or tucked securely under clothing before approaching the fire. 	
Dehydration and Heat Exhaustion	Young People	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff to check that young people bring a full water bottle with them to the activity. • Staff to monitor young people throughout the activity and advise anyone who is overheating to rest in the shade and drink water. • Water container to be available so participants can re-fill water bottles. 	
Sunburn	Young People	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If weather is sunny, or forecast to be sunny, staff to check that young people are wearing sun cream. 	
Cold and Hypothermia	Young People	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If weather is wet or forecast to rain, staff to check that young people have brought a waterproof jacket to the activity. • Staff to check the young people are suitably clothed for the weather conditions, e.g. have jumpers / jackets with them. • Shelter to be available at the activity location, e.g. event shelter. 	

