

## Sample Activity Risk Assessment

<b>Activity:</b>	<b>Ranger In A Bag Activity Sensory Explorers</b>
<b>Location:</b>	Forestry Commission Forest
<b>Members of public covered by risk</b>	Children, Young People, Teachers, Adult Helpers,

Hazard	Location	Persons exposed	Risk level	Control Measures	Implementation / Monitoring
Separation from group	Forest environment	Children Young People Teachers Adult helpers	Low	Group leaders to clearly state areas of the forest to be used / explored. Group leaders to ensure group remain together when walking to site. Group leaders lead the way and bring up the rear. Follow LEA guidance of pupil / teacher ratio. Staff aware of site emergency plan (can be found in activity bag). Group leaders to carry out a pre-visit.	Group leaders vigilance.  Emergency plan in place.  Group leaders to complete head counts as appropriate.  Group leaders to carry mobile phones.
Inappropriate clothing / footwear	On participants	Children Young People Teachers Adult Helpers	Low	Group leaders to ensure group members wear / bring appropriate clothes and shoes.	Group leaders vigilance

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Exposure to extreme weather conditions	Forest Environment	Children Young people, Teachers Adult helpers	Low	Suspend work outdoors if conditions become too bad e.g. high winds, extreme cold.	Group leaders vigilance
Soil borne diseases - tetanus	Forest environment	Children Young People Teachers Adult helpers	Low	Warn group of potential hazards / problem areas.  Clean and protect all cuts.	First aid staff  Staff vigilance
Toxic plants, fungi and animal waste	Forest environment	Children Young People Teachers Adult helpers	Low	Warn group of potential hazards.  Ensure group wash hands after activity before eating / handling food.	Group to have designated First Aider.  Group leaders vigilance
Bee / wasp stings Allergies Asthma	Forest environment	Children Young People Teachers Adult helpers	Low	Group leaders responsible for all medical treatment and should be aware of medical information and allergies.  Group leaders to carry first-aid kits at all times.	Group to have designated First Aider.  Group leaders vigilance  Group leaders to carry mobile phones

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Injury during activity	On session	Children Young People Teachers Adult Helpers	Low	Group leaders to show group how to complete tasks and use equipment safely and any potential risks highlighted.	Group leaders vigilance. Emergency plan in place. Group to have designated First Aider. Staff to carry first aid kits and mobile phones Read Forestry Commission Ranger in a Bag activity guidance and safety advice.
Trips / falls / cuts	Forest environment	Children Young people Teachers Adult helpers	Low	Group leaders to warn group before using forest tracks of uneven ground and branches at eye-level.	FC self-led info sheet. Group leaders vigilance Emergency plan in place. Group leaders to carry first aid kits and mobile phones
Picking bracken - cut fingers	Forest Environment	Children Young people Teachers Adult helpers	Low	Group leaders to clearly state group is not permitted to pick unless using gloves.	FC self-led info sheet. Staff vigilance Emergency plan in place. Staff to carry mobile phones and First Aid kits