



Risk Assessment	Crate stacking	Date of risk assessment	1 June 2021	Name of who undertook this risk assessment	David Sowden	Date for review	31 May 2022
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Hazard Identified? / Risks from it?	Who is at risk?	Severity	How are the risks already controlled? / What extra controls are needed?	What has changed that needs to be thought about and controlled?
Inappropriate running of the activity	All	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The instructor must be suitably qualified and hold a site specific Crate Stacking Awareness Training. One leader in charge to be responsible for safety of the activity. Only participants to be allowed into the crate stacking area. Area to be checked for anything that could impede the running of the activity. Ratio of leaders to be 10:1 with a minimum of two leaders being present. The instructor to check the belaying fixture, pulley and ring before the activity is used. The person operating the belaying will be trained in the necessary techniques and will themselves be attached to the safety point provided. Instructors to be mindful of the weather conditions and consider ending the session should the equipment become wet and slippery. 	
Injury to participants and instructors through incorrect use of equipment	All	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Good group management and monitoring of all aspects of the Crate Stacking area required by activity leader. Helmets to be worn and instructor to ensure such helmets are correctly fitted. Participants to wear suitable clothing and footwear, loose items to be fastened correctly. Ensure participants undertake appropriate warm up and warm down activities as part of the session. 	



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Equipment prior to use	All	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All ropes and climbing equipment to be check prior to use. Any equipment found to be faulty must be removed and reported. 	
Injury to participant(s) and instructor(s)	All	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Instructor to check before climbing that the climber is correctly belayed, all knots correct and that all karabiners tightened. All participants to ensure all clothing and footwear is correctly fastened and any sharp, bulky of heavy items are removed from their pockets. Any person involved in passing up crates should be vigilant at all times to avoid falling crates and / or persons. Spectators to keep a reasonable distance away bearing in mind that crates can fall over a wide area 	
Participants' behaviour	All	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If in the opinion of the instructor the behaviour of an individual or the group as a whole is not conducive to running a safe session then the activity session will be stopped and the person or persons causing concern removed. No person under the influence of alcohol or drugs should be allowed on the activity site. 	
Storage of equipment	All	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All equipment to be cleaned before being put back into storage. Harnesses and ropes must be put away in a dry condition. Any defects or damage to ropes and climbing equipment must be reported. 	
Unauthorised use	All	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rope and other climbing gear to be removed from the crate stacking area and securely locked away in the equipment trailer when not in use. 	
Covid	All	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Government and scouting guidelines to be followed. All to sanitize hands at the start and end of session as a minimum. 	