

# ASSESSMENT OF RISK FOR

**BRAESIDE  
EDUCATION  
CENTRE**

Assessment of:

**High Ropes Course – Postman’s  
Walk, Parallel Poles, Indiana Bridge**

Location: Braeside

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HAZARDS	WHO MIGHT BE HARMED?	IS THE RISK ADEQUATELY CONTROLLED?	WHAT FURTHER ACTION IN NECESSARY TO CONTROL THE RISK?
List Hazards here:	List specific groups of staff / other people that are risk, e.g. visitors, young people, expectant mothers etc:	List existing control measures / systems and state how individuals at risk are notified of the control measures / systems in place:	List the risks which are not adequately controlled and the action you will take where it is reasonably practicable to do more:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wires and poles</li> <li>• Other participants</li> <li>• Height and potential for falling</li> <li>• Injury of qualified instructor – loss of instructor</li> <li>• Belayer fails to control system</li> <li>• Trips and slips on ground</li> <li>• Splinters from pole</li> <li>• Incorrectly fitted kit, or child fiddling with kit.</li> <li>• Structure or kit failure</li> <li>• Jewellery / clothing to become snagged or caught.</li> <li>• Falling between bridge / poles.</li> <li>• Injury from holding inappropriate parts of the equipment, ie fingers caught in belay plate etc.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Braeside Staff</li> <li>• School Staff</li> <li>• Children</li> <li>• Youth Workers</li> <li>• Volunteers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Warning about falling / descending</li> <li>• Participants to work together and be aware of where they are.</li> <li>• Correct PPE</li> <li>• 2 approved instructors to be on site while activity is in progress</li> <li>• Belayer to always be backed up by another individual, and Instructors to only be supervising 1 belayer at a time. (1 instructor will be needed on each side of the parallel poles to supervise 1 belayer.)</li> <li>• Verbal briefing of uneven surfacing and being on correct side of apparatus upon descending.</li> <li>• Verbal warning about splinters, suitable long sleeved and long-legged trousers to be worn.</li> <li>• All helmets and harness to be checked on individuals by qualified instructor – spanner maillon tight.</li> <li>• Jewellery to be removed and suitable long sleeved and long-legged trousers to be worn, with no loose cords, laces etc.</li> <li>• Safety checks each month - damaged or broken kit to be removed and reported to centre manager</li> <li>• When descending ask student to steer themselves around the obstacles.</li> <li>• Ensure ladder is securely attached</li> <li>• Appropriate Safety checks each day, bi-month, year</li> </ul>	