

ASSESSMENT OF RISK FOR

**BRAESIDE
EDUCATION
CENTRE**

Assessment of:
Raft Building

Location: Caen Hill (K&A Canal)

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| HAZARDS | WHO MIGHT BE HARMED? | IS THE RISK ADEQUATELY CONTROLLED? | WHAT FURTHER ACTION IN NECESSARY TO CONTROL THE RISK? |
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| 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"> • Drowning and infection from water (untreated) • Unseen sharp objects underwater • Dog faeces (toxicara) • Brambles and nettles • Dogs out of control • Splinters from wooden poles • Cold/wet weather • Heat/sunny conditions • Ropes • Slippery banks when entering and exiting • Locks and other craft • Wildlife (swans) • Hazards increased by lack of appropriate briefing / instructions, poor supervision / behaviour • Noisy / nosey public • Hit by moving objects when in water • Entanglement in silt net • Environmental damage Launching and in habitat reeds etc.. • Loss of equipment from rafts • Contamination from equipment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Head of Centre • Youth Workers • County / area officers • Volunteers • Students • Teachers • Braeside staff • Environment | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Precise careful briefing • Good personal safety equipment – helmets, buoyancy aids, footwear • Change of clothes and towel • Well trained staff - qualified • Back up from centre if needed – emergency contact • Mobile phone to be on site for emergencies • Staff first aid trained and carrying first aid kit • Keep away from locks / other crafts / main waterway • Safety boat – large open canoe, possibly 2, used by qualified instructor + throwlines • Weather to be checked before and monitored through-out session. • Individuals to clean hands before handling food or drink. • Only launch and exit from designated area. • Briefed and supervised to stay away from reeds and silt net supervised and reminded where necessary. • Safety boats to carry tow line to aid rafts if necessary. • All rafts to be checked by instructor before launch. • Instructors to closely supervise rafts and to clear up any materials that do come lose. • All equipment to be cleaned before use. • No equipment to be used if previously contained hazardous materials. | <p>(Note: Please seek approval from Canal and Rivers Trust before conducting this activity)</p> <p>(Note: There must no materials left behind in or out of the water please re check the all areas used after group has left.)</p> |

