

Flying Fox Risk Management Plan

Lutanda Toukley

School:	Year:	Dates:
Program: Supervising S	Staff:	

Activity Context

The flying fox at Lutanda Toukley involves participants starting from a pole mounted platform, and riding a zipline through around 100 metres of rainforest to a sloping ramp. They are required to disconnect themselves from the flying fox and bring it back to the start with a retrieval rope. The flying fox encourages good communication skills, facing fears, and working in a group.

This document contains the specific risks, control measures and grading for the flying fox activity. Please refer to the document **General Activity RMP – Lutanda Toukley** for a list of general risks and control measure relevant for all Lutanda Toukley activities, as well as risk rating information.

Risk Management Plan

Risk Description	Existing Control Measures		Risk Rating (with controls)		
Risk Description			Consequence	Rating	
Flying Fox Specific – Risk factors specific	ally associated with the flying fox activity at Lutanda Toukley				
Fall from height	Participants wear safety harnesses while on the ladder / platform / flying fox	Rare	Catastrophic	Medium	
 By participant 	Participants attached to safety line while climbing ladder and on platform				
By leader	Activity Facilitator attached to safety line while working from platform				
	Equipment rated and maintained for loads well above actual load placed upon it				
Slipping/Tripping	Stairs provide access to upper and lower levels of flying fox run	Possible	Minor	Medium	
Around the activity area	Platform and start area kept free of sticks etc.				
	Bottom of platform area mulched				
	Flying fox trail and ramp well marked				
Impact	Flying fox designed to slow as it reaches ramp	Unlikely	Minor	Medium	
To participant on flying fox	Participants briefed on safety areas, including flying fox return trail				
To another person below the flying fox	Flying fox line and return trail clearly defined				
Impact	Flying fox designed to slow as it reaches ramp	Possible	Minor	Medium	
To participant on ramp	Participant briefed on correctly landing on ramp				
	Handles provided to help participants face forward to ramp				
Entanglement	Long hair is to be tied back for the activity	Unlikely	Moderate	Medium	
• Hair	Participants briefed on where to place hands on pulley/strops				
 Fingers 	Flying fox pulley has handles for hand placement				
Falling Objects	No loose equipment kept on platform	Unlikely	Minor	Low	

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Pids Parasitation	Risk Description Existing Control Measures		Risk Rating (with controls)		
RISK Description			Consequence	Rating	
Causing injury	Participants briefed on safe to stand/run zones				
Inverting Where person on flying fox flips upside down	 Participants wear full body harnesses that reduce chance of falling from inversion Proper harness fitting demonstrated, and harnesses checked for each participant prior to activity Full body harness attachment point designed to prevent inverting 	Possible	Minor	Medium	
Equipment Failure Due to improper use, faulty / damaged equipment Ropes, hardware, personal protective equipment	 Activity Facilitators trained in selection, use, inspection, care & maintenance of activity equipment Activity Facilitators perform check of equipment prior to each activity Participants briefed on proper use of equipment All equipment clearly stored and labelled for activity intended for Equipment regularly inspected and maintained Equipment stored, maintained and retired according to manufacturer instructions Equipment used certified by manufacturer as suitable for use 	Rare	Major	Low	
Structure Failure Safety of the abseil platform, wall and anchors	 Flying fox built by qualified rigger Regular inspections of structure and anchors performed by activity staff Yearly inspections by external assessor performed 	Rare	Catastrophic	Medium	

Risk Rating Matrix

All identified risks are recorded in the following risk matrix according to likelihood and consequence. The purpose of this matrix is to provide a snapshot of all identified risks and establish the level of risk to determine if further treatment is required.

Likelihood	Consequences				
	1 - Insignificant	2 - Minor	3 - Moderate	4 - Major	5 - Catastrophic
1 - Rare	1	2	3	4 Equipment failure	5 Fall from height, structure failure
2 - Unlikely	2	4 Falling object, impact 1	6 Entanglement	8	10
3 - Possible	3	6 Slipping, inverting, impact 2	9	12	15
4 - Likely	4	8	12	16	20
5 - Almost certain	5	10	15	20	25

Risk Treatment

1-4 Low Risk

- Risk does not generally need to be managed any further (current controls are adequate), however the risk needs to be monitored for changes in circumstances and current control effectiveness.
- Risk generally may be accepted.

5-9 Medium Risk

- Risk needs to be regularly monitored for any changes and control/treatment effectiveness.
- Risk may be accepted after consideration.

10-14 High Risk

- Risk is unacceptable, risks must be further treated or removed to bring rating to medium
- Risks are to be re-assessed by Activities Manager

15+ Extreme Risk

- Unacceptable risk, urgent attention is required to treat or remove risks
- Management to consider elimination of activity

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