



Bushwalking Risk Management Plan

CCC Central Coast

School: _____ Year: _____ Dates: _____

Program: _____ Supervising Staff: _____

Activity Context

Bushwalking is a traditional outdoor activity, encouraging participants to explore nature and be active. Bushwalking as a facilitated activity at CCC Central Coast is usually conducted in the nearby Wyrribalong National Park.

This document contains the specific risks, control measures and grading for the bushwalking activity. Please refer to the document **General Activity RMP – CCC Central Coast** for a list of general risks and control measures relevant for all CCC Central Coast activities, as well as risk rating information.

Risk Management Plan

Hazard / Risk Description	Existing Control Measures	Risk Rating		
		Likelihood	Consequence	Control Effectiveness
<i>Bushwalking Specific – Risk factors specifically associated with the bushwalking activity at CCC Central Coast</i>				
Getting Lost	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants are required to walk as a group Activity is conducted on clearly marked and defined trails Activity is to have Leader and/or supervising adult present Leader carries map of trails Participants are briefed on what to do if they are separated from group Communication equipment carried by leader 	Rare	Major	Low
Fatigue / Over-exertion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants instructed in proper walking technique Bushwalk length amended according to group ability Participants encouraged to carry water bottles, drink plenty of water prior to activity 	Unlikely	Minor	Low
Bite / Sting Snake; spider; other insect / organism	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants required to stay on designated tracks Participants are required to stay together as a group Leaders carry first aid kits with snake bite bandages Insect repellent available 	Rare	Major	Low
Slip – Trip – Fall In general Activity Hazards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appropriate footwear must be worn at all times Participants instructed to walk Trip hazards are identified to the group on the walk Leader carries first aid kit 	Unlikely	Minor	Low

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Toileting In the bush...	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Participants are encouraged to use bathrooms at camp site prior to bushwalk • Participants are briefed on appropriate toileting procedures in the bush • Leader carries trowel and paper for toileting in pack 	Rare	Minor	Low

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 Toileting	4 Bites/stings, lost	5
2 - Unlikely	2	4 Slip-trip-fall, fatigue	6	8	10
3 - Possible	3	6	9	12	15
4 - Likely	4	8	12	16	20
5 - Almost certain	5	10	15	20	25

Risk Treatment

1-4 Low Risk <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 	10-14 High Risk <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Risk is unacceptable, risks must be further treated or removed to bring rating to medium Risks are to be re-assessed by Activities Manager
5-9 Medium Risk <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Risk needs to be regularly monitored for any changes and control/treatment effectiveness. Risk may be accepted after consideration. 	15+ Extreme Risk <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unacceptable risk, urgent attention is required to treat or remove risks Management to consider elimination of activity

Risk Assessment Conducted by: *Program Manager, CCC Central Coast*

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