

High Adventure Camp Fire Risk Assessment

Last Review of this risk assessment: 23/07/2023

Minimum Leader qualification:	In house training or an appropriate level of competence.
Max group size with Leader:	36 If High Adventure are just providing the equipment for a self-led session or just providing a member of staff to manage the fire then we recommend groups stick to at least the above ratio.

All Instructors should be making dynamic risk assessments on the day taking into account the weather conditions, the group's ability & any other factors that may change.

Essential equipment

Personal: appropriate clothing for the weather.

Group: Appropriate clothing.

Instructor, dependant on venue: Phone, first aid kit. Fire bucket (water)

Activity/ Process/ Operation	What are the Hazards to Health and Safety	What Risks do they pose and to whom?	Risk Level	What precautions have been taken to reduce the risk?	Risk Level Achieved
			H/M/L		H/M/L
Setting up	Burns	All staff and participants	M	Staff training on safe ways to start the fire	L
				Tongs and gloves provided for managing fire during session	
				Set boundary on where the group are allowed to be when the fire is lit.	
During the activity.	Slip Trips and Falls	All staff and participants	M	Group briefing making them aware of any hazards.	L
				Remove any potential hazards.	
	Choking on fumes	All staff and participants	M	Move the group according to where the wind and smoke are blowing.	L
				Only untreated wood is to be burnt to reduce fumes.	
	Fire spreading	All staff and participants	M	Bucket of water to be located near fire.	L

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	Burns while cooking or eating	All staff and participants	M	Close supervision of marshmallow toasting or any other cooking. Brief group on checking temperature before eating anything cooked on fire.	L
	Hypothermia	All staff and participants	M	Brief group that they need to be in warm clothes Don't allow the group to stay out too long if they get cold.	L
Packing up	Fire risk.	All staff & participants	M	Staff Training and group briefing. Ensure all fires are fully extinguished and ashes put into a suitable container until cold.	L