

Outdoor Education Risk Assessment

Provider: Alt Outdoors Ltd

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Assessment Date: January 2026

Review Date: January 2027 (or sooner if activities or guidance change)

Activity Scope: Outdoor, practical, educational and community-based activities

Locations: Public land and privately used land with landowner permission

Age Range: 11–18

Staffing Ratios: Flexible, typically 1:1 to 1:8 depending on activity, needs, and risk assessment

What are the significant hazards?	Who is at risk?	Controlled measures	I	R	Additional controls	L	I	R	Sign & Done	
Trips and falls during learning tasks	Young people	• Qualified staff • Dynamic risk assessment • First aid trained staff • Safeguarding policies • Appropriate PPE • Clear boundaries • Pre-session briefing	3	3	9	• Activity-specific briefing • Enhanced supervision • Adjust ratios as required • Clear emergency procedures • Ongoing monitoring	2	3	6	WG-N 08/01/26
Distraction from environmental hazards	Young people	• Qualified staff • Dynamic risk assessment • First aid trained staff • Safeguarding policies • Appropriate PPE • Clear boundaries • Pre-session briefing	3	3	9	• Activity-specific briefing • Enhanced supervision • Adjust ratios as required • Clear emergency procedures • Ongoing monitoring	2	3	6	WG-N 08/01/26
Minor injuries from equipment use	Young people	• Qualified staff • Dynamic risk assessment • First aid trained staff • Safeguarding policies • Appropriate PPE • Clear boundaries • Pre-session briefing	3	3	9	• Activity-specific briefing • Enhanced supervision • Adjust ratios as required • Clear emergency procedures • Ongoing monitoring	2	3	6	WG-N 08/01/26
Weather-related exposure	Young people	• Qualified staff • Dynamic risk assessment • First aid trained staff • Safeguarding policies • Appropriate PPE • Clear boundaries • Pre-session briefing	3	3	9	• Activity-specific briefing • Enhanced supervision • Adjust ratios as required • Clear emergency procedures • Ongoing monitoring	2	3	6	WG-N 08/01/26
Misunderstanding instructions	Young people	• Qualified staff • Dynamic risk assessment • First aid trained staff • Safeguarding policies • Appropriate PPE • Clear boundaries • Pre-session briefing	3	3	9	• Activity-specific briefing • Enhanced supervision • Adjust ratios as required • Clear emergency procedures • Ongoing monitoring	2	3	6	WG-N 08/01/26

What are the significant risks?	Who is at risk?	What factors increase the risk?	What hazard(s) are present?	Control measures	L	I	R	Additional controls	L	I	R	Sign & Done
One-to-one working safeguarding risks	Young people	• Staff/pupil staff	• Staff/pupil staff	• Dynamic risk assessment • First aid trained staff • Safeguarding policies • Appropriate PPE • Clear boundaries • Pre-session briefing	3	3	9	• Activity-specific briefing • Enhanced supervision • Adjust ratios as required • Clear emergency procedures • Ongoing monitoring	2	3	6	WG-N 08/01/26
Movement between learning locations	Young people	• Staff/pupil staff	• Staff/pupil staff	• Dynamic risk assessment • First aid trained staff • Safeguarding policies • Appropriate PPE • Clear boundaries • Pre-session briefing	3	3	9	• Activity-specific briefing • Enhanced supervision • Adjust ratios as required • Clear emergency procedures • Ongoing monitoring	2	3	6	WG-N 08/01/26