

JLW Control Of Risk On Low Ropes Activity.

This activity is operated by a responsible adult from the user group. (to be known as the person in charge)

The person in charge will be given written instructions on how to safely operate the activity by a member of John's Lee Wood Staff before the session starts.

The risk assessment below & the safety of the activity are therefore the responsibility of the person in charge.

Hazards	Controls Used To Reduce Hazard	Residual Risk (see The Risk Matrix)			Description Of Monitoring Required To Maintain Or Reduce Risk Level
		Likelihood	Consequences	Risk Level	
Users unfamiliar with the activity & it's safe operation	Activity to be preceded by the person in charge reading the instructions & familiarising themselves with the equipment	2	2	4	Staff to ensure the instructions are always given out preceding the activity.
Failure of equipment	Equipment to be inspected before & after every use by the person in charge as stated in instructions. If in any doubt STOP the activity & consult JLW Staff	1	2	2	Ensure correct equipment is used & maintained. Ensure JLW Staff inspect equipment regularly.
Users being too big/small to safely use the activity	Person in charge to be guided by the age range advised in the instructions provided	2	2	4	JLW management to monitor reported injuries/near misses & revise advice on age or modify course if required
Risk of trapped hair or clothing	Person in charge to ensure long hair is tied back & look out for loose clothing	2	1	2	Person in charge to be vigilant during session that hair is still safe & loose clothing removed or secured
Risk of injury due to messing about while waiting	Person in charge to keep control of group & ensure not too many users inside the area depending on age & maturity	2	2	4	Enforce good behaviour of group. Remove unruly members of group from the area

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Risk of unsafe use of facility	Person in charge to maintain control & restrict number of users on the equipment at any given time. Mobile phones to be switched off or on silent & not used while in area to avoid distraction	1	2	2	Person in charge to ask advice if unsure of equipment. JLW Staff to ensure instructions are understood by person in charge.
Injury to unsupervised users	Activity area to be locked when not in use & key only given to an adult along with the written instructions. Person in charge not to allow others in to the area while the key is in their care	2	2	4	JLW Staff to ensure that the area is kept locked when not under supervision of an adult

