



Risk Assessment - Camping

This is a generic risk assessment for visitors to Seven Springs who are camping, and may be using a building (Oak, Birch, D of E Cabin or Holly). You will need to complete your own risk assessment for any activities you carry out. There are separate risk assessments for on-site activities when available.

Venue: Seven Springs, Disley	Buildings: Werneth (Oak and Birch), D of E Cabin and toilet block - sleeping not permitted inside buildings	Campsite sleeps: equipped sites (Oak and Birch) tents for 24, no limit for unequipped D of E - no limit	Review Date: 8 Mar 2026 by Ann Shackleton To be reviewed by: 7 Mar 2027
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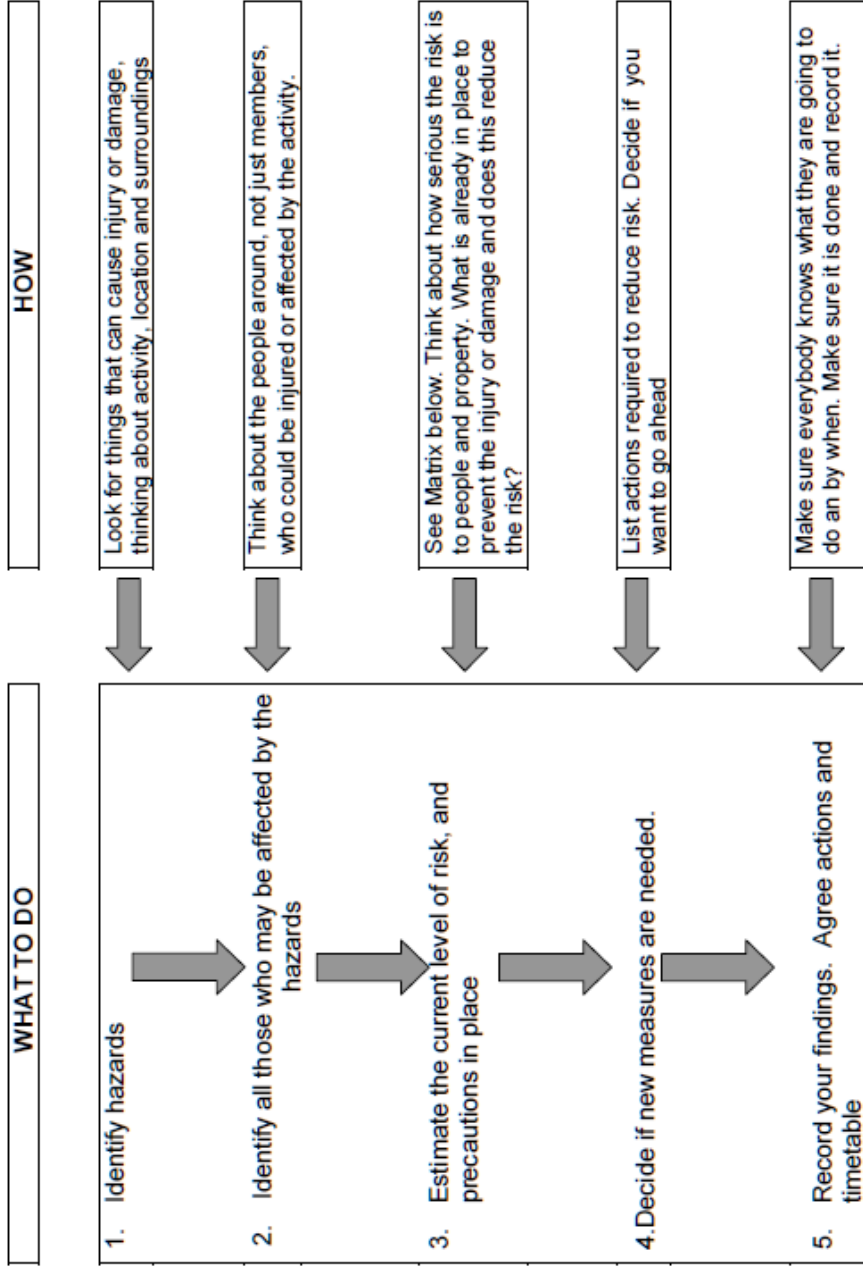
Hazard	Who is affected?	Risk	How we keep you safe	Initial Risk level	What you need to do	Residual Risk Level
General						
Tents / guy lines / equipment causing trip hazard	All	Slips/trips/falls	Camp warden will ensure tents etc are sited away from occupied buildings / grass sledging area	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow your organisation’s guidance about camping safely Do not pitch tents or store equipment in areas that are too close to buildings or activity areas 	Medium
Carbon monoxide	Visitors	Chemical poisoning	All gas equipment is regularly checked.	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Never put a BBQ, fire or stove inside a tent / sleeping area even if you think it has gone out 	Low
Slippery / uneven paths and steep uneven ground	All	Slips/Trips/Falls	Regular maintenance of the site, Security lighting	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Walk carefully wearing sensible footwear 	Low
Fire	Visitors or volunteers	Burns, smoke inhalation, eye irritation	Fires allowed in specified areas	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No smoking is permitted on site Do not light fires anywhere other than in the designated campfire circles, altar fireplaces, fire pits or BBQs provided Do not light fires outside if there is a mandate from the local authorities about avoiding fires (in dry weather) Keep away from fire when not loading it Do not use accelerants other than firelighters Always keep under 18s supervised near fire Always have a bucket of water near your fire and first aid kit including eye wash available Never leave a fire unattended 	Medium

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Vegetation / biting insects / bacteria	All	Stings, scratches or infection	Regular maintenance of the site	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wear suitable clothing and footwear for the activity and area you are using Advise any visitors with known allergies to bring their own medication Cover any cuts / grazes with a plaster Wash hands before eating or drinking 	Low
Unstable trees	All visitors	Slips / trips / falls	The Dell is out of bounds	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not enter The Dell (woodland to the far right of the site if you are looking downhill) 	Low
Lifting and carrying	All	Muscle strain	Trolleys available for moving heavy items	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not overstrain yourself when carrying equipment - ask for assistance if needed Use trollies provided to move heavy or bulky items 	Low
Equipment use	All	Injury due to improper use	Equipment is regularly checked Instructions provided	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow any instructions provided with equipment If you have queries about equipment that you have hired or borrowed please contact the warden or use the emergency number provided 	Low
Vehicles on site	All	Collision with vehicle	Vehicles only allowed in designated parking areas	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not drive onto the site other than the car parks Supervise children when in the car park 	Low
Car Park	Car users	Injury to people/damage to vehicles		Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Park sensibly considering ground and weather conditions 	Low
Ice and/or snow on lane	Car users	Not being able to get out of the site	Shovels provided in barn 4	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You can use the grit bin at the end of Corks Lane Don't attempt to drive cars until completely clear 	Low
Dogs	All	Dog aggression or allergic reaction	None allowed on site other than assistance dogs and the volunteer warden's dog	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any dogs on site must be on a lead at all times Clean up any dog waste immediately. 	Low
Security	All	Intruders	The site is on private land with clear signage	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider adding security controls to your own risk assessment 	Low
Mobile phone reception poor	Mobile Phone Users	Delay in essential communications		Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Step outside buildings for better signal. 	Low
Hygiene	All	Illness from poor hygiene	Soap provided in all toilets	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow instructions given about responsibilities for use of and cleaning of toilets 	Low

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Oak / Birch						
Lifting/carrying equipment	Visitors	Falling from height, straining muscles	Ladders provided Warden will assist where needed	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> When accessing tents or other equipment from the shelves, use ladder provided to access high shelves Do not carry equipment that is too heavy on your own - ask for assistance 	Low
Electric oven / hob / kettles / dehumidifier	Adults	Scald, burn, electric shock	Regular safety checks of appliances	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any under 18s using these should be supervised Do not touch plugs with wet hands 	Low
Sharp knives etc	All	Cuts		Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supervise under 18s using sharp implements 	Low
Fire	All	Burns, smoke inhalation	Fire procedure on notice board, fire extinguishers and blankets in each building	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Make sure everyone knows what to do in case of a fire Do not leave hot items unattended Extend extension leads fully before use Do not cover radiators or heaters 	Low
Water leak	All	Damage to possessions or building	Stop tap is in Oak by the outside door (inside wall panel)	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Call the warden or emergency number if needed 	Low
Wet / slippery floor / trip hazards	All	Injury from slips / trips / falls	Mops provided	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clean up any spillages as soon as possible and warn people if floors are wet Keep chairs tucked under tables Tidy up equipment when not in use Do not let wires/leads trail across the floor 	Low
Fuse trips power	All	No electricity	Fuse box is in Birch to left of shelving	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Call contacts listed on notice board if help needed. 	Low
Tables/chairs	All	Trips or injury from falling tables			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure chairs are not stacked any more than 5 high Ensure tables are stored and restrained with the straps provided when not in use 	Low
D of E Shelter						
Water leak	All	Damage to building or possessions	Stop tap is very close to the sink	Low	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Call the warden or emergency number if needed 	Low

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Fire	All	Smoke inhalation, burns, damage to possessions	Fire procedure on notice board, extinguishers provided	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not light stoves or fires inside the buildings Keep rubbish away from sources of ignition Do not use fire extinguisher as a door stop 	Low
Fuse trips power	All	No electricity, lack of light	Fuse box is next to door	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure leader has a torch Call contacts listed on notice board if help needed. 	Low
Lifting/carrying equipment	Visitors	Straining muscles	Warden will assist where needed	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be aware some equipment is very heavy Do not carry equipment that is too heavy on your own - ask for assistance 	Low

RISK MANAGEMENT



RISK ASSESSMENT MATRIX

	Slight Harm superficial injuries, minor cuts and bruises	Harmful minor fractures, ill health leading to minor disability	Extremely Harmful multiple injuries, major fractures, fatalities
Severity	LOW	LOW	MEDIUM
Likelihood UNLIKELY Rarely happens	LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH
LIKELY Often happens	MEDIUM	HIGH	HIGH
VERY LIKELY Nearly always happens	MEDIUM	HIGH	HIGH

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