Assessor: Christopher Lloyd **Date: 10/12/2025** **Activity: High Ropes Course** (including Giants Ladder, Crate Stack, Crate Stack Trees, High All Aboard and Multi Scramble) **Location: Blackwell Court**	**Persons at risk**			**Risk before control measure**	**Severity before control measure**	**Control Measure**	**Risk After Control Measure**
	Employee	Participant	Public				
Hazards Identified							
Lightening	✓	✓	✓	Low	High	Activity to be stopped in the event of lightening.	Low
Falling objects	✓	✓	✓	Low	Low	Participants asked to remove object from pockets and ensure shoes are fastened prior to participating. All apparatus checked in line with inspections procedure.	Low
Falling whilst accessing the course	✓			Low	High	Only competent staff to access the course.	Low
Striking apparatus whilst descending		✓		Low	Low	Participants briefed to push away from elements whilst being lowered. Instructor to lower at appropriate speed.	Low
Slips, trips and falls	✓	✓	✓	Low	Low	Participants briefed not to run around whilst inside the high poles area.	Low
Incorrectly fitted harness / helmet		✓		Low	High	Instructors to check harnesses and helmets are fitted correctly prior to anyone leaving the ground.	Low
Hair, clothing or jewellery trapped in equipment	✓	✓		Low	Medium	Participants briefed to tie hair back and remove any objects / jewellery that could become trapped	Low
Uncontrolled fast descent	✓	✓		Low	Low	The instructor must be part of the system whilst lowering and the use of the snap gate karabiner friction is to be used.	Low
Entanglement in ropes		✓		Low	Low	Instructor to manage the participants when ropes are all together to avoid entanglement.	Low
Faulty apparatus	✓	✓	✓	Low	High	Regular inspection by trained staff and a yearly inspection by an externally qualified inspector.	Low
Unauthorised access		✓	✓	Medium	High	No entry signage is in place reiterating keep off, harnesses are not kept at the activity and all bottom sections are removed overnight.	Low
Collision with other users		✓		Low	Low	Participants briefed at start of session about etiquette on session.	Low
People on the ground being hit by crates	✓	✓	✓	Medium	Medium	All people in the fall area are to wear helmets and instructor to be aware when falling to push crates away. People passing crates also stand away whist crates are being stepped onto.	Low
Falling onto crates or ground for a larger participant		✓		Low	Low	When adults are on the crate stack the ropes must be pulled be as tight as possible to stop them falling too much due to the stretch in the rope.	Low
PPE failure	✓	✓		Low	High	All PPE is inspected within company inspection guidelines.	Low
Gri Gri incorrectly loaded		✓		Low	High	Instructor to double check by pulling of live rope before climbing commences. The gri gri should lock.	Low
Hitting head whilst being lowered		✓		Low	Medium	On High All Aboard, Multi Scramble and Giants Ladder the rope is connected to the front of the harness.	Low
Branches falling on Crate Stack Trees	✓	✓		Medium	Medium	Trees have been checked and any loose branches removed. At times of high wind, we will stop session if we feel risk of any loose branches falling, Session stopped at winds above Beaufort scale 6.	Low
Helmet catching whilst being lowered		✓		Low	High	The participant must be facing the object they are being lowered from whilst coming down with the instructor always being vigilant for any issues.	Low

Darkness	✓	✓		Low	Medium	Instructor to be vigilant and ensure lights are used.	Low
Manual Handling	✓			Low	Low	Instructors to ensure manual handling techniques are followed	Low
Holding the wire on Giants Ladder		✓		Low	Medium	Wire to be inspected by competent staff. Group briefed to not hold the wire and instructor to be vigilant.	Low

Signed Assessor C Lloyd Print Name Christopher Lloyd Date 10/12/2025

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