

KENT MOUNTAIN CENTRE RISK BENEFIT ASSESSMENT:

Orienteering in the forest

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Benefits to Participants:

Improve teamwork and communication

Improve physical and mental wellbeing through activity and sharing common purpose with others

Develop leadership skills and initiative

Develop relationships with others

Acquire a skill

Improve confidence

Appreciate the natural environment

Develop resilience

Raise self-esteem

Create transferable learning to improve outcomes in future at school and in work

Process/ Operation	Affecting	Potential Risk	Control process to manage	Residual risk	Risk Benefit Analysis
Slips /trips / knocks	All/Students/ Visiting Leaders /Instructors	Medium	Briefing to set a calm tone. Suitable footwear to be worn.	low	positive
Scratches to skin or eyes from brambles etc	All/Students/ Visiting Leaders /Instructors	medium	a Briefing to set a calm tone. Suitable footwear to be worn.sensible route choices. Long trousers to be worn	low	positive
Deep or swift water	All/Students/ Visiting Leaders /Instructors	low	the briefing should include not going into, or crossing, streams	low	positive
Traffic on forest tracks	All/Students/ Visiting Leaders /Instructors	low	constant awareness of environment should be emphasised	low	positive
Getting lost/injury leading to benightment or other problems	All/Students/ Visiting Leaders /Instructors	medium	Learning is progressive. Task is appropriate to students' ability. Suitable briefing with areas of note, interst, concern	low	positive

stranger danger	All/Students/ Visiting Leaders /Instructors	medium	all students should be aware of others and briefed accordingly and made aware of potential hazard	low	positive
Forest machinery, log piles etc	All/Students/ Visiting Leaders /Instructors	low	Students are briefed not to touch machinery or climb on log piles.	low	positive
DELIVERY:	TO BE DELIVERED AS PER OPERATING PROCEDURES				
OPERATING PROCEDURES:	The operating procedure document is to be read with this assessment by instructors.				
This Assessment to be reviewed by (Date):	23/05/2018				