

ABSEILING

RISK ASSESSMENT SHEET

Frequency of use Daily / AS REQUIRED

1. **PEOPLE AT RISK** (instructors, visitors, campers, schools)

Number of people involved 0 – 44

2. **HAZARDS** (Anything with the potential to cause harm)

- a) Adverse/inclement weather
- b) Loss of footing, hand grip or panic
- c) Lack of maintenance/servicing of equipment
- d) Congestion on staircase
- e) Defective/damaged structure
- f) Large number of participants – uncontrolled participants
- g) Congested platform area

3. **ASSESSMENT OF RISK**

- a) Low
- b) Medium
- c) Medium
- d) Low
- e) Low
- f) Low
- g) Medium

4. **LIST MEASURES TAKEN TO CONTROL HAZARDS**

- a) Stop activity if weather conditions are hazardous
- b) Safety ropes always used, appropriate footwear, pre activity briefing,
- c) Inspect daily in following guidelines, service in accordance with manufacturers instructions, staff training
- d) No more than **two** persons at any one time, leaders to monitor
- e) Inspect daily in following guidelines, service in accordance with manufacturers instructions, staff training
- f) Ensure the group sizes follow guidelines, all members of group (s) seated if not abseiling
- g) No more than a maximum of 8 persons

5. **REMAINING RISK USING CONTROL MEASURES ABOVE**

- a) Low
- b) Low
- c) Low
- d) Low
- e) Low
- f) Low
- g) Low

