Location :	Leicester Outdoor Pursuits Centre	Date of Assessment:	20/12/12	Last Reviewed: Dec 2022	Name of Assessor:	Chris Murnin
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ITEM/ HAZARD	CONTROL MEASURES			
General heavy items	Where possible avoid lifting the object			
	Where possible use mechanical aids			
	• Plan the lift by considering, Can handling aids be used? Where is the load going to be placed? Will help be needed with the load? Remove obstructions such as discarded wrapping materials. For a long lift, consider resting the load midway on a table or bench to change grip.			
	Ensure route to travel is clear from unnecessary obstructions			
	Where possible lift as part of a coordinated team			
	Ensure a good grip on the object is achievable			
	Follow manual handling guidelines and training.			
	Carry routes and plans to be shared with participants prior to lifting.			
	<ul> <li>Participants should be given clear instructions on how to carry heavy objects.</li> </ul>			
	Participants should be supervised whilst carrying heavy objects.			
Climbing wall tarpaulins	<ul> <li>Lower and raise one side of the tarpaulin using the ropes provided.</li> </ul>			
	Roll up and secure out of the way when not in use.			
Canoes	Use designated carrying or lifting handles			
	Known techniques covered in paddlesport courses should be used at all times			
	<ul> <li>For children under 12, canoes should be carried as a minimum ratio of one canoe to four children</li> </ul>			
Kayaks	Use designated carrying or lifting handles			
	Known techniques covered in paddlesport courses should be used at all times			
	For children, kayak should be carried at a minimum ratio of one kayak to two children.			
Canoe and kayak rescues	All rescuers are trained in rescue techniques			
	<ul> <li>When performing a rescue appropriate techniques as covered in training should be applied taking into consideration good manual handling principles</li> </ul>			

