


Location:	Offsite	Date of Assessment:	1/4/10	Last Reviewed: Nov 22 CM	Name of Assessor:	Chris Murnin
Activity:	Walking Trips (with Instructor)	Assessment Reference No:	4.8		Signature of Assessor:	

HAZARD	CONTROL MEASURES
Injury following accident or illness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ensure that copies of consent forms for all participants are held by the Instructor. ▪ Route chosen must be appropriate to the group. ▪ Instructor to have had site specific training for the route, or hold a valid qualification for terrain and environment covered. ▪ Instructor to carry a mobile first aid kit. ▪ Instructor to ensure all medication required is carried by participants. ▪ Route and terrain to be suitable for the group and their abilities. ▪ Mobile phone to be carried and number to be recorded in the office.
Exposure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ensure appropriate group equipment is carried for the prevailing and expected seasonal conditions. ▪ Ensure all participants have protection from the sun e.g. sunscreen and sun hats in hot weather. ▪ Ensure all participants carry adequate fluids to drink and the Instructor to carry additional supplies. ▪ Ensure all participants have personal clothing suitable for the expected weather conditions. ▪ Group should use available shelter during rest stops.
Uneven ground	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Footwear is suitable for the environment, and properly laced. ▪ Instructor to identify best routes through challenging terrain ▪ Group encouraged to share location of any hazards they come across with the rest of the group ▪ Participants who are unsteady on their feet may benefit from walking poles/ stick ▪ Group to keep clear of cliff or crag edges
Traffic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Road crossing briefings given prior to need, in a safe and controlled area ,if required. ▪ If concerned over group ability, participants stay together and walk in front of the Instructor whilst near roads. ▪ Group must walk single file whilst on roads. ▪ Use designated crossing areas on roads where available. ▪ Ensure participants walk calmly at all times – no running or pushing. ▪ Front and rear members of the group should wear high visibility jackets on busy stretches of road.



Water features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Use designated footpaths and keep a safe distance away from water. ▪ Ensure participants walk calmly at all times when near water – no running or pushing. ▪ Ensure appropriate safety and group equipment is carried for the prevailing and expected conditions.
Participant going missing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ensure that participants stay together as a group and stay in sight of the Instructor. ▪ Group to be issued with whistles for communication if deemed necessary. ▪ Provide cut off times to return to base. ▪ Have a strategy for ensuring all group members are present.
Aggressive or threatening members of the public	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Remove group away from threat. ▪ Remain in a public / visible location. ▪ Contact Centre / taxi company for transport. ▪ If necessary contact the police for assistance.
Wildlife	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ensure participants are briefed about the wildlife and that respect should be shown and no aggravation should ever take place. ▪ Ensure participants stay well clear from wildlife, Swans, cows etc. ▪ Instructors are to brief participants on this conduct.
Further risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ All risks should be minimised by continual appraisal of participant's condition, the environment and equipment through dynamic risk assessment by the staff members involved. ▪ Some risks still remain but every care must be taken to minimise these.

