Risk Assessment Activity – Campfire

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Overview: Campfires take place at several sites in specially prepared areas. Fires are kept small/medium, so as to remain easily manageable yet still fun. The instructors will have been in-house trained who are leading the session. Staff running session are First Aiders and have easy access to a first aid kit in each of the campfire areas as well as all fire safety kit.						
Hazards	Groups of People at Risk from the Hazards Identified	Probability Severity Risk Category	Control Measures – Reduces the severity and lowers the probability to acceptable levels			
Slips & trips	Instructors, staff and guest/participants	Likely Major High	Recorded monthly inspection of site. Instructors visually check the site upon arrival. The group walked over in controlled manner. A clear boundary around the fire marks distance from fire that is to be kept to and instructors monitor group to ensure this is kept to.			
Burns	Instructors, staff and guest/participants	Unlikely Major Medium	A bucket of sand and water (water source), fire blanket and fire extinguisher are always available on session. Procedure in place to safely escort the group from fire area at end of session and a clear boundary to keep group from being too close to fire. Only trained instructors are to feed the fire. Food is not cooked on fires to prevent burns.			
Foreign objects flying out of fire	Instructors, staff and guest/participants	Very unlikely Major Low	Only wood burnt on fire. Group briefed as not to throw things onto fire and a safe distance from the fire is ensured by instructors.			
Smoke inhalation	Instructors, staff and guest/participants	Likely Minor Low	Only clean wood burnt. Fire kept fed to limit smoke. The group will be moved out of wind direction if needed.			
Allergic reaction (banana eating challenge)	Instructors, staff and guest/participants	Very Unlikely Fatal Low	Group sheets checked to see if any know with group leaders to check for issues.	ked to see if any known allergies and the staff liaison check to check for issues.		