

RISK ASSESSMENT – CONSERVATION WORK

A supervising adult with the group should be responsible for First Aid.
The Emergency Muster Point is by the Car Park.



Please report all Accidents or Near Misses in an Accident Book, which are located in the Solid Shelter or in phone cupboard in Foyer of House.
A First-Aid kit can also be found in the Solid Shelter.

Do not cut down any living trees or branches.

If you discover a nesting bird in close proximity to where you are working stop work immediately and move to an area further away.

Hazard	Who might be harmed	Control measures	Person(s) responsible for control measures
Unfavourable weather	Supervising adult and Participant	Reschedule or cancel a session if you believe the weather to be unsafe, i.e. lightning, high wind or heavy rain	Supervising adult (in consultation with Group Leader)
Thorns in feet	Participants	Thick soled shoes should be worn to prevent thorns penetrating soles of feet. Walking boots are ideal	Supervising adults
Thorns in hands		Good quality thorn resistant gardening gloves should be worn	
Scratches from brambles		Thick long legged trousers should be worn and long sleeved tops. Jeans are ideal	
Disturbing bee or wasp nests		Move away to a different area and inform a member of the Jarman Centre Management team	
Falling undergrowth		Be very aware of your surroundings and what others are doing around you. Work as a team	
Hod sacks		Ensure these are not over filled and sufficient people are used to drag them to a fire base	
Pitch fork		Care should be taken not to stab someone with this when loading the fire. When not in use, put somewhere out of the way and lie flat with the prongs facing down. Do not leave unattended	
Smoke inhalation and heat being generated by fire		Be conscious of the fire size and wind direction	
Burns from clothing catching fire		Clothing should be fastened up so there is nothing loose	

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Tool container	Anyone	Only adults should go inside and the door is to be kept shut when not in the area	Supervising adults
Hand tools		Instruction should be given to children on correct use of tools. These must never be left unattended. Guards should be used where applicable and any pronged tools should be laid flat with the prongs facing down. No power tools should be used	
Saws and Axes		These should only be used by adults or children under close instruction and supervision. This equipment should be stored safely and never left unattended	
Stumps and roots		If you can't pull the root out cut the stump at least 30 cm from the ground so that it does not become a trip hazard	
Flammable liquids		These should never be used to start the fire	
Petrol operated tools		These should be kept well away from any fire	
Hot embers causing further fire		Clear and tidy fire base before you start by spreading cold ash beyond the perimeters of the campfire seating. Do not pile trimmings for burning close to fire. Leave the embers from your fire in situ on the base when finished	
Trip hazards around fire		Leave area around fire clear	
Air-borne hot ash and embers		Try not to agitate the fire to provoke flying embers	
Out of control fire		A full fire bucket must be on hand. Fires should be kept to a reasonable size. Do not burn unnecessary amounts of wood. Fires should only be lit on existing bases or with Estate Manager's permission and never left unattended	
Bad weather		Fires should not be lit during high wind or if there is lightning around	
Injury due to carelessness and/or lack of supervision		Be very aware of your surroundings and what others are doing around you. Work as a team. Close supervision by responsible adults in correct ratios at all times	