RISK ASSESSMENT WIZARD



BONFIRE/FIREWORK DISPLAY

Safety Guide

Youth Group

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Key Benefits	Control Measures	Checklist Items

KEY BENEFITS

Community

Creates a sense of community and shared experience among participants.

Cultural Traditions

Enhances storytelling and cultural traditions through fire rituals.

Responsibility

Encourages responsibility through safe fire management practices.

Lasting Memories

Builds memories and strengthens group cohesion.

KEY HAZARDS & CONTROL MEASURES

Fire Spread & Burns

- ✔ Minimum safe distance barriers established
- ✔ Bonfire built away from trees and structures
- ✔ Fire extinguishers and water supplies ready
- ✔ Trained fire wardens supervising at all times

Firework Misfire

- ✔ Only trained adults handle fireworks
- ✔ Spectator exclusion zones clearly marked
- ✔ Fireworks checked for damage before use
- ✔ Misfire procedure communicated to all staff

Crowd Management

- ✔ Clear entry and exit routes established
- ✔ Capacity limits set and monitored
- ✔ Emergency evacuation plan communicated
- ✔ Stewards positioned throughout venue

Weather Conditions

- ✔ Weather forecast monitored before event
- ✔ Wind speed limits for cancellation set
- ✔ Contingency date arranged if needed
- ✔ Wet weather clothing advised

PRE-SESSION SAFETY CHECKLIST

Risk Assessment

- [ ] Complete and review risk assessment for this activity
- [ ] Ensure all identified hazards have control measures in place
- [ ] Brief all staff on key risks and emergency procedures

Fire Safety

- [ ] Safe location selected
- [ ] Exclusion zone marked
- [ ] Extinguishers positioned
- [ ] Fire wardens briefed

Fireworks

- [ ] Storage secure and dry
- [ ] Launch area cordoned
- [ ] Operator trained
- [ ] Misfire plan ready

Crowd Control

- [ ] Entry routes clear
- [ ] Exit routes lit
- [ ] Stewards positioned
- [ ] PA system working

Emergency

- [ ] First aid point set
- [ ] Burns kit stocked
- [ ] Emergency access clear
- [ ] Communications checked

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