



BUSHCRAFT

Safety Guide

Outdoor Activity Provider

4

Key Benefits

16

Control Measures

19

Checklist Items

KEY BENEFITS

Survival Skills

Develops survival and wilderness skills, including shelter building, fire making, and foraging, essential for outdoor self-sufficiency.

Problem-Solving

Enhances problem-solving and resourcefulness by requiring individuals to utilise available materials creatively.

Environmental Awareness

Promotes environmental awareness and conservation by fostering a deeper understanding and respect for natural ecosystems.

Self-Reliance

Encourages self-reliance and independence by empowering individuals to manage and thrive in wilderness settings.

KEY HAZARDS & CONTROL MEASURES**Tool Injuries**

- ✓ Tool safety instruction before use
- ✓ Age-appropriate tools selected
- ✓ Blood bubble safe working zones maintained
- ✓ Direct supervision during tool use

Fire Hazards

- ✓ Designated fire area with cleared surroundings
- ✓ Fire safety rules clearly communicated
- ✓ Fire extinguishing equipment available
- ✓ Fires fully extinguished before leaving

Weather Exposure

- ✓ Weather forecast checked before sessions
- ✓ Shelter available or can be constructed
- ✓ Appropriate clothing and layers required
- ✓ Hydration and sun protection monitored

Wildlife & Plants

- ✓ Site survey for hazardous plants and wildlife
- ✓ First aid kit with allergy treatment
- ✓ Plant identification training provided
- ✓ Long sleeves and trousers recommended

PRE-SESSION SAFETY CHECKLIST**Risk Assessment**

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

Site

- Site surveyed for hazards
- Boundaries established
- Fire area prepared
- Emergency access confirmed

Equipment

- Tools inspected and sharp
- Fire extinguisher available
- First aid kit stocked
- Shelters and tarps ready

Participants

- Safety briefing completed
- Allergies and medical info collected
- Appropriate clothing worn
- Tool safety demonstrated

Conditions

- Weather forecast checked
- Ground conditions suitable
- Fire risk level assessed
- Daylight hours sufficient



RISK ASSESSMENT
WIZARD

Take Your Safety To The Next Level

Create professional, customized risk assessments for your organization with our easy-to-use online wizard.

390+

Activity Templates

Pre-loaded hazards & controls for every activity

100%

Customizable

Add your branding & tailor to your needs

- ✓ Instant PDF & print-ready documents
- ✓ Store and update assessments online
- ✓ Add your logo & organization details
- ✓ Reuse and duplicate assessments
- ✓ Works on any device

Start Free at riskassessmentwizard.com

No credit card required - Try it free today