



Name of activity	Bush craft	Reference number	
Location of activity	On site, Rawlinson’s, Grubbin’s or Quite Area low stocks Park	Ratio for activity	!:15 with additional adult support
Level of qualification needed to lead	In house training and assessment directed by WMCI MCI IFMGA Mountain Guide or in house trainer assessor	Level of qualification needed to second	NA
This document must be read in conjunction with	Standard Operational Procedures		
Key: L – Likelihood, S – Severity, R – Risk		Risk Score 1- 2 = Low 3- 4 = Medium 5- 6 = High	

Activity Description	Foreseeable Hazard	Who might be harmed and how?	L	S	R	Control measures	L	S	R
Fire lighting	Naked flame, heat source	Any member of the group, burn injury	2	2	4	Group management and direct supervision, clear instruction and safety procedures. No use of petrol or meth’s to start the fire	1	2	3
Chopping or cutting wood with axe, use of sharp tools such as bow saw	Injury from sharp tools being used	Any member of the group being cut or seriously injured by sharp tools. Object being cut or chopped slipping or axe deflecting	3	2	5	Instructor briefing and demonstration of bow saw and axe, direct supervision and control, safe work zone around anybody using saw or axe, small kindling chopped by instructor	2	2	4



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Moving around the area	Tripping, slippery ground, steep ground and rock outcrops	Any member of the group, twist, sprained ankle, impact injury with ground	2	2	4	Dynamic risk assessment of locality, brief and set no go areas as required	1	2	3
Moving around the area	Fallen trees, overhanging branches, dead wood	Any member of the group, impact injury, potentially serious injury or fatality	2	3	5	Site check prior to use and dynamic risk assessment on arrival, check for fallen trees, dead wood hanging overhead, and trees leaning on each other, potentially chose new area	1	3	4
Moving around the area	Climbable trees	Any member of the group, falling, major injury or fatality	2	3	5	Clear Instructor briefing and good group control and observation	1	3	4
Moving around the area	Becoming lost	Any member of the group, particularly at night	2	1	3	Instructor to brief about this hazard, set boundaries Lost procedure	1	1	2
Natural shelters	Collapse	Any member of the group, head or bodily impact injury trapped	2	3	5	Good check by Instructor of strength and suitability of shelter	1	3	4
Natural shelters	Ticks and bracken	Any member of the group, cuts from bracken, tick bites	2	2	4	Clear bracken where possible, wear long sleeves/trousers, check for ticks on return to Centre	1	2	3
Cooking on open fire	Direct heat source	Any member of the group, trips and slips into the fire, scalds and burns	2	2	4	Good group management, set time for cooking as a group, brief group	1	2	3



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Cooking on open fire	Scalds or burns	Any member of the group, spilt boiling liquids	2	2	4	Group management, direct supervision, briefing of hazards	1	2	3
Cooking on open fire	Scalds or burns	Any member of the group, contact with pans	2	2	4	Use handle on pan grip, supervision and briefing on hazard awareness	1	2	3
Cooking in shelter	Spread of fire, burn injuries	Any member of the group, shelter set on fire, burn injuries	2	3	5	No cooking or fires in shelters, supervision	1	3	4
Cooking meat flesh	Bacteria	Any member of the group, insufficiently or uncooked meat, meat not cleaned properly, upset stomach	1	2	3	Hands cleaned before meat preparation, Instructor to ensure meat cooked through completely	1	2	3
Wild Food	Misidentification	Any member of the group, allergic reaction, stomach upsets, poisoning	2	3	5	Survival Instructors trained in key edible plants, final identification to be made by Instructor, group to be briefed about the hazards of eating the wrong plants	1	3	4
Crossing the road	Road Traffic Accident, hit by car	Any member of the group, potentially serious injury or fatality	2	3	5	Instructor to brief group, careful supervision and group control when crossing the road	1	3	4
Free time	Knives	Any member of the group, playing around with knives, cut or stab injury	2	3	5	Explain rules about use of knives, safe storage area for knives when not in use	1	3	4



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Attack from animal	Bite or injury from animal	Any member of the group, keep away from livestock and farm dogs	2	2	4	Route choice and group control and awareness	1	2	3
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