



Name of activity	Search and Rescue		Reference number						
Location of activity	On site		Ratio for activity			1:15			
Level of qualification needed to lead	In house trained		Level of qualification needed to second			NA			
This document must be read in conjunction with	Activity Standard Operating 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
Searching	Fall over or off small crag or outcrop	Any member of the group, bodily injury, fatality	2	3	5	Planning and briefing of the group, hazard awareness, supervision, group control	1	3	4
Searching	Slips and trips especially in the dark	Any member of the group, twisted ankle, bodily injury	2	2	4	Briefing hazard awareness, ensure torches in the dark, no running, group supervision	1	2	3
Searching	Road and south camp drive	Any member of the group, dangers from vehicle traffic, fatality	2	3	5	Briefing and group awareness of vehicle danger, group control	1	3	4
Searching	Fixed initiative exercises or man-made structures	Any member of the group climbing on or falling off, bodily injury	2	3	5	Brief not to climb on or play on any man-made structures or initiative exercises, supervision group control	1	3	4



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Searching	Group members separated from group or lost, particularly in the dark	Any member of the group, psychological harm	2	2	4	Group members to stay in touch with each other verbally at all times, briefed what to do if separated or lost	1	2	3
Manual handling, lifting and carrying the stretcher	Strain or stress to back	Any member of the group, back injury or strain	2	3	5	Control lift or carry, instruction on safe lifting, min of six for lift and carry	1	2	3
Carrying stretcher over steep or rugged broken ground	Tripping slipping, dropping the stretcher	Any member or the group whether on the stretcher or carrying, bodily injury	3	3	6	Control and supervision, teach passing the stretcher on rough ground, avoid steep ground	1	3	4
Stretcher rolling over	Casualty in stretcher	Anybody strapped into the stretcher if it is dropped or rolled over, bodily injury and psychological harm	2	3	5	Casualty wear helmet, when putting stretcher down check ground first, group control supervision	1	3	4
Failure of stretcher	Stretcher is incorrectly assembled	Casualty on stretcher, bodily injury	2	2	4	Check that stretcher is correctly assembled	1	2	3
Searching or carrying stretcher	Tree branches	Any member of the group particularly in the dark, eye or face injury from branches	2	2	4	Hazard awareness and briefing by Instructor, monitoring	1	2	3
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