

Risk Assessment

Skiing / Snowboarding

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Risk Ranking

P = Participant AL = Adventure Leader

The following quantitative method has been designed as a measure of the total risk evident:

$$\text{RISK} = \text{LIKELIHOOD OF OCCURRENCE} \times \text{SEVERITY OF HAZARD}$$

Likelihood

1. Remote
2. Possible
3. Probable
4. Likely

Severity of Hazard

1. No injury or repercussion
2. Minor Injury
3. Major Injury
4. Fatal

Overall Risk

1-5 LOW RISK

6-10 MEDIUM RISK

11-16 HIGH RISK

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General risks associated with skiing/snowboarding. Also see *General Risk Assessment* and *Safety Management System*.

Risk	At Risk	Existing Controls	Likelihood of Risk	Severity of Risk	Overall Risk	Additional Suggestions
Low temperatures	P AL	Warm clothing and gloves are recommended. Ski/snowboard clothing is available to hire. Any child affected by the cold will be escorted from the snow by a teacher wherever possible, or by a member of our team to an inside location where the child will remain until they are happy to continue (with a teacher or chaperone supervision).	4	1	4	We strongly recommend that all participants are suitably dressed in warm clothing. We would ask that participants make ski coaches, teachers or Adventure Leaders aware if they are feeling affected by the cold.
Weather	P AL	Ski instructors to check the weather forecast at the beginning of each day. Ski instructors to check that pupils are wearing appropriate clothing, eye protection and sun screen for the prevailing conditions. Ski instructors are to prevent inappropriately dressed individuals from going onto the mountain. Instructors should periodically check that their students are not getting too cold, sunburnt or dehydrated during lessons and treat as necessary.	3	1	3	

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		If weather conditions are deemed as dangerous by the Ski Instructor then the group will follow their instructions to evacuate to a safe location.				
Skiing/ Snowboarding	P AL	Skiing and snow activities arranged through a reputable ski school. No off-piste skiing is allowed. No unsupervised skiing is allowed, irrespective of the pupil's ability. Students to use appropriate runs according to their ability. If the pupils are falling too much, change the exercise or move to an easier slope. Ski instructors to be aware of the fitness of the group. Helmets and gloves are compulsory for everyone taking part in a lesson or on a recreational ski/snowboard activity.	1	3	3	
Chairlifts	P AL	Take time to teach proper use. Ensure that safety bars are used properly. Remove rucksacks. Clear exit area quickly.	2	2	4	
Snow sports equipment	P AL	All snow sports equipment is regularly checked and set by trained technicians. Pupils know not to swap equipment and to let leader know if they have problems Pupils know safe procedures for carrying skis / walking in ski boots	1	2	2	

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		Ensure equipment is checked prior to use, any defects are reported immediately and equipment taken out of action				
Ski Instructors	P AL	Pupils only taught by qualified ski instructors, leaders or supervisors. Ski Instructors have been appropriately background checked to work with children	1	1	1	

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