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| **CYC Adanac****Low Ropes – Risk Management Plan** |
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| **School:**  | **Year Level:**  |
| **Supervising teachers / staff:**  | **Dates:**  |
| **Program / Excursion:**  | **Location:**  |

For an explanation of risk management terminology and to ensure you understand how the rating / grading system is determined please ensure you have read the **CYC Activity Risk Profile** document.

The **Low Ropes** Risk Management Plan contains the specific risks, control measures and grading’s for this activity, as well as the grading’s of all general risks relevant for all CYC activities. Please refer to the **General Activity Hazards – Risk Management Plan** for a list of general risks and control measures relevant for all CYC activities.

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| **Risk Description** | **Existing Control Measures** | **Risk Rating** |
| **Likelihood** | **Consequence** | **Control Effectiveness** |
| ***Slip – Trip – Fall***Causing injury to climber or spotter.It may have been caused by; inappropriate footwear, wet conditions, after hours use, human error, incorrect procedure etc. | * A safety briefing is conducted at the beginning of every session. This includes discussing general activity safety and the role of the spotter
* All instructions provided must be followed to ensure maximum safety
* Closed toe footwear should be worn at all times
* Soft fall mulch areas are in place and maintained where required
* The activity should not be used when elements of the course are wet or slippery
* Participants are instructed to only use the Low Ropes Course during a supervised activity session (this is not a free time activity)
* Warning signs are clearly displayed around the course
 | Possible | Minor | Satisfactory |
| **Friction**Rope burn from tension traverse or otherropes | * + A demonstration and explanation of appropriate climbing and spotting technique for appropriate sections should be completed prior to use
 | Unlikely | Minor | Satisfactory |
| **Structure Failure**Resulting in a fall/injury to the participant | * + A visual inspection of the Low Ropes is completed by qualified site staff prior to use
	+ Thorough periodic in-house maintenance checks are completed by trained program staff
	+ Annual activity checks are completed by qualified professionals
	+ If the structure is unsafe the activity is not to be undertaken until appropriate repairs have been completed
 | Rare | Moderate | Satisfactory |

**Risk Rating – Low Ropes**

All identified risks are recorded in the Risk Matrix according to the Likelihood and Consequence. The purpose of this matrix is to provide a snapshot of all identified risks and establish the level of risk associated to determine if further treatment is required.

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| **X** | **Likelihood** |
| **Almost Certain**  | **Likely**  | **Possible**  | **Unlikely**  | **Rare** |
| **Consequence** | **Catastrophic**  | **80** |  | **64** |  | **48** |  | **32** |  | **16** | * + Environmental Exposure 4
	+ Environmental Hazard 3
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| **Major**  | **40** |  | **32** |  | **24** |  | **16** | * + Environmental Hazard 1
	+ People – Instructor 1 & 2
	+ Inappropriate use after hours
	+ People – Group leader 2
 | **8** |  |
| **Moderate** | **20** |  | **16** |  | **12** | * + People – Participant

 behaviour | **8** | * + Environmental Exposure 2
 | **4** | * + **Structure Failure**
	+ Environmental Exposure 3
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| **Minor** | **10** |  | **8** |  | **6** | * + **Slip–Trip–Fall (L/Ropes)**
	+ Slip-Trip-Fall (General)
	+ Environmental Exposure 1
	+ Environmental Hazard 2
	+ People – participant ability
 | **4** | * + **Friction**
	+ Entanglement
	+ Cutting / Scratching
	+ Striking
	+ People – Group Leader 1
 | **2** |  |
| **Insignificant**  | **5** |  | **4** |  | **3** |  | **2** |  | **1** |  |

NB: All risks in **bold** are **Low Ropes** specific risks. All other risks are from the General Activity Hazards RMP and are therefore relevant for all activities.

For grading risks, scores obtained from the risk matrix are assigned grades as follows;

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| **HIGH****20 – 80** | **MEDIUM****10 – 16** | **LOW****1 – 8** |
| Unacceptable risk which requires immediate action to reduce or remove the hazard.Senior management **must** be notified.Item should be **TAKEN OFF LINE**until risk reduced. | Conditionally acceptable, requires short term controls and continuous monitoring. | Acceptable risk, however monitoring required ensuring risk does not escalate.Review in 12 months or if situation changes. |

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