

RISK ANALYSIS AND MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

ACTIVITY/SITUATION: Huhunui Caving

Analysis	Description		
UNDESIREDEVENT(S) Accident, injury, other forms of damage	Outside Cave Accident on way to cave Late start to activity Stolen property Leaving equipment behind		Inside cave Party member lost or whole party lost Injury from falling person or object Injury from equipment failure Injury from tripping or falling Medical emergency Caught in flood Party fatigue Trapped in squeeze Light failure Severe cold or hypothermia Psychological distress Drowning Claustrophobia Damage to equipment Overdue Damage to environment
CAUSALFACTORS	People	Equipment	Environment
	Outside Cave Unskilled driver Overseas drivers Lack of adequate planning Poor cave match for group Inside cave Unfit people in the group Peer pressure Poor communication Pre-existing medical condition Poor understanding of activity Untrained staff Poor risk management practise Lack of site knowledge	Outside cave Poor vehicle maintenance Incoresct equipment for cave No equipment check sheet Inside cave Unsuitable group equipment Poorly maintained equipment Lack of emergency equipment Lack of food and hot drinks	Outside cave Busy rural roads Multiple hazards on road Wet or hazardous road conditions Inside cave Darkness Slippery surfaces Loose rocks Confined spaces Cold Wet Heavy rainfall Deep water
RISKMANAGEMENTSTRATEGIES	Normal Operations		
	Outside cave Instructors to have correct license for vehicle they are using Drive defensively Plan appropriate trip for the group Obtain group information beforehand Inside cave Experienced staff with site training Analysis of accidents and incidents for staff training and site management Disclose the activity risk Active management of group safety during activity	Outside cave Ensure vehicle maintenance is done and vehicle is checked before use Pack correct equipment for cave Ensure 1 st aid kit in vehicle Equipment cleaned and serviced before trips Equipment logged after trips Inside cave Carry 1 st aid kit at all times Clients issued with any specialised clothing or equipment required for the cave Checks of equipment during use	Outside cave Drive for the conditions at the time, slow down in the wet Check weather before using cave Inside cave Choose safest route Protect areas of high risk from damage Protect clients if exposed to any areas of high risk Check water gauges
	Emergency		
	1 st aid kit available on all trips Communication with Crisis Response Operation Control via cell phone or landline Hot drink and food available on all trips		

RELEVANT INDUSTRY STANDARDS APPLICABLE

Waitomo Education Outdoors staff training manual 2
 Activity Management Plan (AMP) sign off
 NZ Qualification Authority unit standards
[NZOIA- New Zealand Outdoor Instructors.](#)

[Activity Safety Instructorlines Caving vs1.3.](#)

[NZOIA- New Zealand Outdoor Instructors Association Cave instructor.](#)

[New Zealand Speleological Society safe caving practices.](#)

[Department of Conservation caving practices.](#)

<http://eotc.tki.org.nz/EOTC-home>

Relevant Regulations:

[Health and Safety at Work Act 2015](#)
[General Risk and Workplace Management Regulations 2016](#)
[Health and Safety in Employment \(Adventure Activities\) Regulations 2016](#)
[Land Transport Act, 1998](#)
[Crimes Act, 1961](#)
[Education Act, 1989](#)
[Vulnerable Children Act 2014](#)
[Privacy Act, 1993](#)
[Resource Management Act 1991](#)

POLICIES & INSTRUCTORLI NES RECOMMENDED	<p>All staff to have current 1st aid certificates All clients/students to fill out medical form before partaking in activity Appropriate ratios for group management Cancel trips when there is a defined risk of flooding or the water is over specific operating levels during bad weather: (See AMP for FLOOD level gauges). Waitomo Education Outdoors staff training manual 2 Activity Management Plan (AMP) sign off Waitomo Education Outdoors (WEO) Health and Safety statement Policy, Hazard Id, Child Protection, Drug and Alcohol Impairment.</p>
SKILLS REQUIRED BY STAFF	<p>Good group management and facilitation skills Risk and crisis management skills Site specific training Knowledge of AMP Waitomo Education Outdoors (WEO) Health and Safety statement Policy, Hazard Id, Child Protection, Drug and Alcohol Impairment. Site specific rescue procedures. Good level of fitness. Completed Trip Report, Meds forms for day, Activity Management Plan (AMP) sign off</p>
TRIP SPECIFIC RISK MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS	<p>Ratio 1 instructor:8 clients Limit of 14 clients per trip Sturdy footwear required Warm top required 2 instructors in cave. Industry standard Helmet & Light supplied.</p>