

Climbing & Abseiling - Outdoors

Risks:

1. Equipment failure
2. Injury due to falling
3. Students operating independently of the instructor whilst others are climbing
4. Injury from falling equipment or stones
5. Clothing or hair being caught in equipment

Risk

Risk Management

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| all | a. All instructors will be trained and assessed before taking groups climbing. Only those authorised by the Climbing Technical Advisor are to run climbing sessions. |
| 2,3 | b. Instructor to student ratio will not exceed 1:12. |
| all | c. Safety procedures will be included in the student briefing. |
| 2 | d. Helmets will be worn by all instructors and students and group leaders, including those who only wish to observe from the ground. |
| 2,3 | f. No one is to solo climb, lead climbing is only to be carried out when supervised by instructor with MIA |
| 1 | g. Students must be told how to carry and protect equipment in transit as well as when in use. The care of ropes is to be particularly emphasised. |
| 3 | h. The instructor operating at the top of the abseil is to stay aware of the whereabouts of members of the group. Students are to be instructed not to wander away from the climbing site. |
| 5 | i. The instructor supervising the abseil is to ensure that no clothing or hair is hanging loose before allowing students to abseil. All abseils are to be rigged to be readily releasable. |
| 2 | j. Students are to be belayed on the safety rope before approaching the edge of an abseil. |
| 4 | k. Students are to be kept away from the rock face except whilst climbing or abseiling. |

all I. Students are never to be left unsupervised whilst climbing is taking place.

