

Mine Trip

Risks:

1. Equipment failure
2. Injury due to falling
3. Students operating independently of the instructor
4. Exhaustion / hypothermia
5. Flooding
6. Emotional injury
7. Injury from roof/wall collapse
8. Suffocation from 'bad' air

Risk

Risk Management

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| all | a. All instructors will be trained and assessed before taking groups down mine. Only those local mine Leaders authorised by the Centre Manager are to run mining sessions. All mines will have a relevant and up to date mine structural safety report from a qualified mine engineer. |
| 2,3 | b. Instructor to student ratio will not exceed 1:12. |
| all | c. Safety procedures will be included in the student briefing. |
| 2,4 | d. Protective clothing, helmets and lamps will be worn by all instructors and students. |
| 2,3,6 | e. The instructor is in charge of the whole group for the duration of the mine session, whether or not they are mining. Group leaders, whilst assisting in group control, should be carefully managed and treated as one of the group in all aspects of mining. Group leaders are not to be given any responsibility for instructing. |
| 5 | f. Where mines that are at risk from flooding are being used, the instructor in charge must obtain an up to date weather forecast and be aware of the surface conditions. If there is a risk of flooding, the trip is to be cancelled. |
| 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 is to position him / her self so that they can supervise the movement of the group through the mine. Students are to be |

instructed not to wander away from the group.

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i Students must be closely supervised around climbs or drops.

