



Risk assessment for – Bouldering - Outside

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Hazard	Risk Consequence	Who might be harmed	Control Measure	Level of risk with control measure
Fall from height	High	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inexperienced climbers to be trained on courses Safety video in place Climbers to sign to state they are competent Hourly checks by staff on “walk round” to look for incorrect practice Bouldering matting fitted under wall Signage in place 	Low
Hold spins	Low/Med	Climber	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular maintenance Spinning holds to be tightened as soon as possible Signage in place 	Med
Fall down back of wall	High	Climber	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No topping out, as covered in rules Design of wall doesn’t encourage people to top out as there is no ledge to climb onto 	Low
Muscular injury	Low/Med	Climber	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inexperienced climbers to be trained on courses Safety video in place Climbers to sign to state competent, so should be aware of warm up New climbers on course to be briefed on suitable warmup 	Low
Climbers landing on each other	High	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inexperienced climbers to be trained on courses Safety video in place Climbers to sign to state competent Brightly lit 	Med
Wall failure	High	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wall manufactured to EN guidelines Wall to be checked as recommended by EntrePrises 	Low
Falling onto items on the mats	Med	Climber	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hourly checks by staff on “walk round” to look for incorrect practice Safety video in place 	Low



Damaged matting	High	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All safety flooring to be check regularly and as to policy Any faults or damage to be fixed or the area to be sealed off 	Low
Falling climber	Med/High	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climber where possible to climb back down (in rules) Open plan design of climbing wall reduces risk of walking under someone Inexperienced climbers to be trained on courses Climbers to sign to state competent, so should be aware of not walking under somebody climbing Not to walk under people climbing covered in rules 	Med
Injury from incorrect landing on matt	Med		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climber where possible to climb back down (in rules) Inexperienced climber to be trained on courses Bouldering safety video in place Climbers to sign to state competent, so should be aware of how to fall Harnesses to be removed before climbing (in rules) Extra signage in place Main fall areas are carpeted 	Low
Injury from Jewellery	Low/med	Climber	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inexperienced climber to be trained on sessions Climbers to sign to state they are competent Hourly checks by staff on “walk round” to look for incorrect practice To be advised against wearing jewellery in rules 	Low
Slips trips and falls	Med	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roof protects against most adverse weather Fence partially protects the walkway from adverse weather Matting has carpet directly under wall 	Low
Fence	Low	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fence is outside of fall zones Rough edges have been sanded Lighting in place 	Low