



Risk assessment for – Children’s area – Bouldering and Traverse

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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 Climbers to sign to state they are competent All climbers to pass “picture test” Hourly checks by staff on “walk round” to look for incorrect practice Bouldering matting/rubber crumb fitted under wall 	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, is covered in rules Design of wall doesn’t encourage people to top out as there is no ledge to climb onto, also very difficult due to space around children’s wall 	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 	
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
Muscular injury	Low/Med	Climber	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inexperienced climber to be trained on courses Climbers to sign to state competent, so should be aware of warm up New climbers on course to be briefed on suitable warmup 	Low
Wall failure	High	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wall manufactured to EN guidelines Wall to be checked as recommended by EntrePrises 	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) 	Med



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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 • Climbers to sign to state competent, so should be aware of how to fall • Most children using children's area will be under supervision, instructor to be aware and monitor group • Children to remove harness before bouldering above bouldering mats (in rules) 	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
Unsupervised Children	Med/High		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signage in place • Supervision ratio of 2:1 – supervision requirements listed in AOR • Floor walks regularly • At Peak times instructors present in the area • CCTV monitor in place 	Med