

<b>Risk Assessment</b>	<b>Crate Stacking</b>	<b>Date of risk assessment</b>	<b>18/03/2024</b>	<b>Name of who undertook this risk assessment</b>	<b>Michael Holroyd</b>	<b>Date for review</b>	<b>17/03/2025</b>
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<b>Hazard Identified? / Risks from it?</b>	<b>Who is at risk?</b>	<b>Severity</b>	<b>How are the risks already controlled? / What extra controls are needed?</b>	<b>What has changed that needs to be thought about and controlled?</b>
Minimum Age	All	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All participants to be of the minimum age as per Spen Valley District Trustee Board authorisation (<b>6 years+</b>)</li> </ul>	
Inappropriate running of the activity	All	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The instructor must be suitably qualified and hold a site-specific Crate Stacking Awareness Training.</li> <li>All activity instructors to sign the risk assessment log sheet and document, their permit number and expiry date prior to the session starting.</li> <li>All activity instructors to have completed the Fanwood site specific activity training/familiarisation prior to running this activity. One leader in charge to be responsible for safety of the activity.</li> <li>Only participants to be allowed into the crate stacking area.</li> <li>Area to be checked for anything that could impede the running of the activity.</li> <li>Ratio of leaders to be 10:1 with a minimum of two leaders being present.</li> <li>The instructor to check the belaying fixture, pulley and ring before the activity is used.</li> <li>The person operating the belaying will be trained in the necessary techniques and will themselves be attached to the safety point provided.</li> <li>Instructors to be mindful of the weather conditions and consider ending the session should the equipment become wet and slippery.</li> </ul>	
Injury to participants and instructors through incorrect use of equipment	All	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Good group management and monitoring of all aspects of the Crate Stacking area required by activity leader.</li> <li>Helmets to be worn and instructor to ensure such helmets are correctly fitted.</li> <li>Participants to wear suitable clothing and footwear, loose items to be fastened correctly.</li> </ul>	

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ensure participants undertake appropriate warm up and warm down activities as part of the session.</li> </ul>	
Equipment prior to use	All	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All ropes and climbing equipment to be check prior to use. Any equipment found to be faulty must be removed and reported.</li> </ul>	
Injury to participant(s) and instructor(s)	All	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Instructor to check before climbing that the climber is correctly belayed, all knots correct and that all karabiners tightened.</li> <li>All participants to ensure all clothing and footwear is correctly fastened and any sharp, bulky of heavy items are removed from their pockets.</li> <li>Any person involved in passing up crates should be vigilant at all times to avoid falling crates and / or persons.</li> <li>Spectators to keep a reasonable distance away bearing in mind that crates can fall over a wide area</li> </ul>	
Participants' behavior	All	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If in the opinion of the instructor the behavior of an individual or the group as a whole is not conducive to running a safe session then the activity session will be stopped and the person or persons causing concern removed.</li> <li>No person under the influence of alcohol or drugs should be allowed on the activity site.</li> </ul>	
Storage of equipment	All	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All equipment to be cleaned before being put back into storage.</li> <li>Harnesses and ropes must be put away in a dry condition.</li> <li>Any defects or damage to ropes and climbing equipment must be reported.</li> </ul>	
Unauthorised use	All	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rope and other climbing gear to be removed from the crate stacking area and securely locked away in the equipment trailer when not in use.</li> </ul>	
Covid	All	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Government and scouting guidelines which are in force at the time the activity is run must be followed.</li> </ul>	