



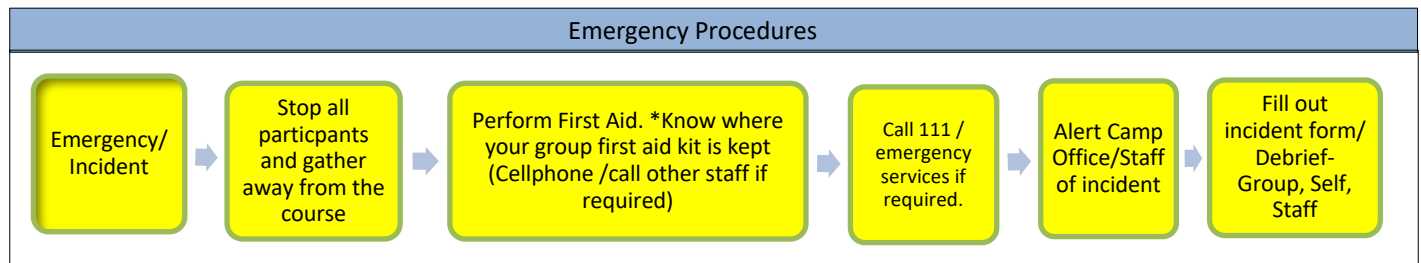
Bush Walk



Standard Operating Procedure

This form describes the details, Operational Procedures, Risks and Emergency Procedures for the activity listed. This SOP is to be used each time the activity is conducted. Any changes or suggestions to be raised in activity debriefs and meetings.

Activity:	Bush Walk		
Location of Activity:	In the bush on the higher boundary to the lower boundary of the camp, off the driveway at the tennis court (Southern Corner of camp)		
Site:	Taupo	Area:	Activities
Reviewed By:	Christy Breetvelt	Version:	1
Position:	Instructor	Approved:	17/04/2024. Stephen Fox. Manager.
Date Reviewed:	17/04/2024	Location of Hard copy:	Camp Office
Number of Participants:	Max Ratio:	1 Instructor or Supervisor / 10 Participants. Note: Ratio adjusted with changes in risk levels.	
Instructor Competence:	Site-specific induction and assessment of internal competencies.		
Supervisor Competence:	Supervisor competent in group management and trained on SOP/ Emergency Procedures		
Equipment & Clothing Requirements:	Participants Supplied: Covered Shoes and appropriate Clothing for weather conditions.		
Communication Procedures:	Use the Supervisor's cell phone to contact emergency services and /or other staff. Alternative communication; Send runner to office		
Related Documents - Qualifications/ Legislation / Guideline / Permits / Consents:	Leave no trace, skilledsurvival.com, mountain safety council, NZOIA Bush 1, Skills Active Leader award, Health and Safety at Work (Adventure Activities) Regulations 2016.		



Operating Procedures		
Pre-activity Check		
1	Attend training and safety briefing with staff.	
2	Familiarise with SOP/ equipment location.	
3	Walk the track to check for fallen branches or blackberry on the track.	
MiCamp Instructor Brief to Supervisor		
1	Go over the SOP.	
2	Conduct training as per "Activity supervisor training and acknowledgement form"	
Supervisor Brief to Participants		
1	Gather the group together and show them the general area.	
2	Group to stay together at all times.	
3	Start at the far right top of the driveway and continue down the track, once reached the T in the path, Turn RIGHT , and continue.	
Operating Instructions		
1	Participants are to gather at the beginning of the track and go through the health and safety briefing	
2	Ensure the group stays together	
3	Make known what to do if separated from the group: Stay put, we will come to you. If you are on the track/driveway meet at the office.	
4	Space extra supervisors at the front and back of group (if available)	
Closing Down the Activity		
1	Do a headcount to make sure that no one is missing.	
Pause points		
1	Pause activity at any time if conditions or people become unsafe.	
2	Pause activity if anyone gets Injured.	
3	Pause activity if someone is missing or if group gets separated.	

This Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) is approved for use at sites operated by MiCamp Trust. As of the time of approval, this SOP meets all known regulations (Adventure Activity Regulations, Safety Audit Standards etc) and current industry good practice.

Hazards and Risk Identification				
This section describes some reasonably foreseeable risk, its potential level and suggested management strategies. *All Risks must be continually monitored throughout the activity* New hazards/risks must be reported or resolved appropriately as soon as possible.				
Environment Specific Risks	Risk Management Strategy	Risk Level		Hierarchy of Control
		Managed	Unmanaged	
Slippery surfaces, participants running, structure hazards	No running. Ensure appropriate footwear. Disclose risks and hazards as appropriate. Monitor continually.	Low	High	ADMIN
Long hours in the sun (Supervisors & Participants)	Apply sunscreen before activity. Bring water bottles. Program breaks. Supervisor rotations. Participants are to wait in shaded areas.	Low	Medium	PPE
Distraction from other groups	Supervisors to use good group management. Disclose risk to supervisors. Remind supervisors of other groups if necessary. Use positive communication.	Low	Medium	ADMIN
Change in weather	Ensure everyone has appropriate clothing. Supervisor to halt activity at any time if weather compromises safety (e.g. Electrical storm, high wind). Weather Risk is to be assessed continuously.	Low	Medium	PPE
Plants and insects	MiCamp Staff to be vigorous with removing poisonous plants or wasp nests. Disclose risk. Make known any allergies. Especially during high-risk seasons. (wasps/bees) Inform MiCamp staff of any new hazards (nests or plant locations)	Low	Medium	PPE
Activity Specific Risks	Risk Management Strategy	Risk Level		Hierarchy of Control
		Managed	Unmanaged	
Participant behaviour compromises group safety	Give safety brief. Staff or Supervisor can remove Participants from the activity area or deny participation if the safety of others is compromised.	Low	High	ADMIN
Getting lost or separated	Ensure participants are aware of boundaries. Small groups are informed to stay together. Know the designated meeting point. If unsure of where they are, stay put, the Supervisor will come to find them.	Low	Medium	ADMIN
Multiple Tracks	Participants are to follow the designated track only, Supervising adults to spread themselves out within the group.	Low	Medium	PPE
Pause Points	Risk Management Strategy	Risk Level		Hierarchy of Control
		Managed	Unmanaged	
Group gets Separated	Stop the activity and do a head count. If someone is missing keep the group together and send adults out to search	Low	Medium	ADMIN
Halt activity at any time conditions or people become unsafe				