

## Risk assessment

Name of activity, event, and location	Blacktoft Beacon District	Date of risk assessment	11 <sup>th</sup> April 2022	Name of person doing this risk assessment	Rachael Macadam Deputy District Commissioner Blacktoft Beacon District Scouts
	Circus Skills Equipment	Date of next review	11 <sup>th</sup> April 2023 or sooner if required.		

What hazard have you identified? What are the risks from it?	Who is at risk?	How are the risks already controlled? What extra controls are needed?	What has changed that needs to be thought about and controlled?
<b>Faulty equipment</b> Injury due to equipment breaking or hitting a user	Anyone using the equipment	Supervising adults to check all equipment prior to using it. Report any damages after activity session to District Team, before returning to District Stores.	
<b>Weather</b> Risk of extreme temperatures during the activity session	Anyone using the equipment	Ensure participants are wearing suitable clothing for the weather.	
<b>Floor</b> Slips, trips, falls	Anyone using the equipment	Ensure ground is suitable to use equipment on, clearing any obstructions as required. Set boundaries and highlight any unsuitable areas to users, before beginning using the equipment. Ensure users have suitable footwear on, for the equipment they are using.	
<b>Other users</b> Collisions, tripping up, grabbing others or their clothing	Anyone using the equipment	Users to be appropriately supervised for their age and experience, whilst using the equipment. Supervising adults to ensure the activity area being used is not overcrowded and there is sufficient spacing between each user for the equipment they are using.	
<b>Improper use of equipment</b> Causing injury or damage to equipment that could cause an injury	Anyone using the equipment	Users to be appropriately supervised for their age and experience, whilst using the equipment. Users to be briefed on correct usage of equipment.	
<b>Behaviour</b> Overexcitement and not following rules or instructions could lead to accidents	Anyone using the equipment	Users to be appropriately supervised for their age and experience, whilst using the equipment. Behaviour expectations set and maintained during the activity session by supervising adults.	

You can find more information in the Safety checklist for leaders and at [scouts.org.uk/safety](https://scouts.org.uk/safety)

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