



FOREST SCHOOLS – MATLOCK BATH HOLY TRINITY C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

TOOLS RISK ASSESSMENT – PEN/SHEATH KNIFE

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	HAZARD	PERSONS AT RISK	EXISTING PREVENTATIVE MEASURES	PROBABILITY (P) 1-5	SEVERITY (S) 1-5	RATING (P) X (S) 1-25	WHAT MEASURES NEED TO BE TAKEN	BY WHO
1	Knife transportati on	Group and Leaders	All knives are kept in sheaths when not in use. CLH/VP to always carry knife in rucksack when using rope, see rope assessment.	2	2	4	To ensure the group have a full understanding on how to carry the tool correctly – tool talks and good modelling.	CLH/VP
2	Knife slipping when using	Group and Leaders	Tool maintenance – kept sharp and useable. No gloves worn to prevent slipping.	4	3	12	To ensure group have a full understanding on how to position the tool correctly when using it so if a slip occurs it will not make contact with them or any other group member.	CLH/VP
3	Knife storage during a session	Group and Leaders	Knives have sheaths with them, sheaths always on when not in use.	1	3	3	Knives need to be in their sheath. All knives put back inside toolbox and accounted for when not being used. All knives and sheaths are numbered. CLH/VP to check all returned at end of session.	CLH/VP
4	Knife blade snapping	Group and Leaders	Regular and effective maintenance of tools.	2	3	6	The group should know that if a problem occurs with a tool they report it immediately to CLH/VP or another adult who will report to CLH/VP. CLH will decommission the tool.	CLH
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“Let us run the race before us and never give up” Hebrews 12.1