



Lochranza Field Centre **Site Specific Risk Assessment:** Long North Arran: All Field Studies

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Where Hazards have been identified as Generic to all Lochranza Field Studies activities the controls are specified within the Generic Off Lochranza Local Operating Area Risk Assessment

Where Hazards have been identified as Generic to all mountainous/remote area and coastal/beach Field Studies the controls are specified within the Generic Risk Assessment: Study - Mountainous Areas/Coastal and Beaches.

Hazards (please specify)	Existing Control Measures (please specify if present)	Residual Risk Level (Insert values and multiple score : see key )		
		Low	Med	High
Injury caused by slips, trips and falls on difficult terrain: steep ground, very wet/waterlogged ground, narrow paths and rocky terrain.	Lead instructor to be Mountain Leader (Summer) Award trained. Group to be briefed on potential hazard. Small or temporary hazards to be avoided where possible. Instructor to be at front and responsible adult at rear of group. Leading instructor to control and reduce group speed as necessary. Group to tackle very steep ground one at a time.	3x2 = 6		
Scrambling. Injury caused while traversing drop-offs, rock steps and scrambles.	Instructor to brief the group prior to approaching the hazardous section and take the assessed route through the section. Instructor or designated person to spot participants at significant hazards. Party moves as one group through the An Scriodan rock fall.		4x2 = 8	
Deer Stalking: injury caused by accidental interaction with deer management activities.	Between 16 August and 20 October stalking activities are monitored using the Hillphone and an appropriate route selected through the high level area between Boguillie and Laggan on the Sannox Estate. Group stay on the footpaths or follow main water courses and ridge lines during the stalking season. Route from Sannox may be used.	4x1 = 4		
Drowning: injury caused by being swept into the sea by high waves.	Instructor to brief group prior to approaching trace fossils at Laggan Harbour. Instructor carries a throw line and is positioned between the group and the hazard. Wave and tide conditions to be monitored and group proximity to the sea to be appropriate to sea state	4x1 = 4		
Bell Pits: injury or illness caused by falling into flooded mine working.	Participants are briefed on the hazards. Bell pits are deep, steep sided and some are covered by a mat of floating vegetation. Instructor carries a throw line and is positioned between the group and the hazard. Instructor to remain vigilant at all times.	4x1 = 4		

Contact with domestic animals: injury or illness caused by dogs or horses	North Arran is very popular with dog walkers and pony trekkers. Instructor at the front and a designated adult at the rear of the group. Group to behave in a calm manner. Instructor to remain vigilant at all times.	3x2 = 6		
Throwing stones. Injury to individuals from thrown stones.	Tutors to brief group on the dangers of throwing stones. If throwing stones is allowed ensure that the group are parallel to the sea and a safe distance from one another and the sea.	3x2 = 6		
Injury caused by the use of geological hammers or acid bottles.	Geological hammers are not to be used in the field. When acid bottles are required they will be carried by the tutors or visiting staff at all times. Tutors and visiting staff will closely supervise their use by students. Acid bottles must be returned to chemical store.	2x1 = 2		

(Key: 1-7 = Low Risk; 8-15 = Medium Risk; 16-25 = High Risk)

Endorsed for Lochranza Centre CIC by Chris Traill, Director

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