**Boulder Wall Risk Assessment Date: 01/03/2023**

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| **Hazards** | **People effected & harm** | **Current controls** | **Further action required** | **Action by who** | **Action by when** | **Comments** |
| Fall from height | Participants may be seriously injured by a fall from height | Participants only allowed to enter and participate in the activity whilst wearing correct safety equipment and only when instructed by instructor. Equipment to be checked and wall to be inspected at each use.  Only equipment designated for use with the activity shall be used.  Participants shall not be allowed to proceed above the wall overhang.  Activity participants kept in designated viewing area. | Wall to be visually inspected at each session for loose or damaged holds. | ADC Campsite Warden | Ongoing as required |  |
| Cuts & Abrasions from the wall | Participants or instructors may suffer from abrasions, cuts or trip injuries | Wall to be visually inspected on use for loose or damaged holds.  Any loose holds are to be tightened with the correct tools, any damaged holds to be removed.  Any areas of damage to the fabric of the wall to be identified and made good. | Periodic inspection of all holds and replacement where necessary. | ADC Campsite Warden | Ongoing as required |  |
| Incorrect use of the equipment | Participants can suffer from cuts, bruises and strains from using the equipment incorrectly | Instructor:Participant ratio not to exceed 1:12, with a minimum of 1 instructor required.  All participants to have their personal protection equipment checked by instructors prior to beginning the session. Instructor vigilance to ensure that equipment remains correctly fitted throughout the session. | No further action required |  |  |  |
| Human error by  instructor – misuse of equipment. | Participants and instructors may suffer from cuts, bruises, strains or breaks | All Instructors regularly monitored through formal observation and rotation  Refresher training delivered annually and if any new equipment or changes to procedures introduced | Training records to be maintained for all instructors | ADC Campsite Warden | Ongoing as required |  |
| Adverse weather  conditions | Participants may suffer from excessive cold or wet weather and increased risk of slips or falls | All activity cancelled if winds gust force 6 or higher, or where excessive movement in tree crown increases risk of falling timber.  In the event of thunder and lightning storms a 20 minute rule applies.  Participants are recommended to wear warm outdoor clothing.  Where thin hats are worn under helmets, the fit and security of the helmet must not be compromised | No further action required |  |  |  |
| Human error – groups  not listening to briefings  and taking in vital  information. | Participants or instructors may suffer injury | Full co-operation from group leaders in group control and discipline  Instructors are authorized to stop a session if participants are acting in a dangerous or irresponsible manner | No further action required |  |  |  |
| Hitting head or danger from  falling objects. | Participants or instructors may suffer injury | All participants and Instructors must wear helmets at all times when within the activity area.  All participants to ensure their pockets are empty prior to the activity. | No further action required |  |  |  |