

**9 GENERIC RISK ASSESSMENT - ACTIVITY LED BY SCHOOL: REMOTELY/INDIRECTLY SUPERVISED WALKS (Duke of Edinburgh Award expeditions and similar)**

Leader competence must be approved by LEA Outdoor Education Adviser (OEA). In addition to evidence of recent and relevant experience in type of terrain to be walked, leader must have:

**Normal County:** evidence of recent and relevant experience and/or relevant training (eg BELA, WGL or MLTE training).

**Dark Peak & Moorland areas UK:** successful assessment report for MLTE Walking Group Leader (covers non-wild camping) or Mountain Leader

**Mountain areas UK:** successful assessment report for Mountain Leader Award (covers wild camping)

HAZARD	RISK	PERSONS AT RISK	CONTROL MEASURES	COMMENTS/ACTIONS	RESIDUAL RISK RATING	INITIAL IF ALL IN PLACE
Insufficient pupil competence or supervision	Injury, possible fatality	Pupils	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pupils are trained appropriately before the venture and their competence to work independently is assessed by the leader. Monitoring continues in the field. The supervision arranged is flexible and may become tighter or looser as the situation dictates.</li> <li>Pupils are in small groups, usually 8 or less</li> </ul>	Leaders are aware they remain responsible for pupils at all times. Necessary monitoring of pupils is maintained.	<b>Medium</b>	
Falls, drowning	Injury, possible fatality	Pupils, staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Route researched and if necessary pre-walked – specific hazards (cliffs, water hazards etc) risk assessed and if necessary avoided</li> </ul>	Specific risk assessment for each walk as necessary	<b>Low</b>	
Getting lost	Injury	Pupils, staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pupils have sufficient navigational skills</li> <li>Briefing and training of pupils</li> <li>Staff remain in sufficient contact with pupils to prevent significant errors</li> </ul>	Level of supervision must be appropriately matched to pupil competence	<b>Low</b>	
Injury illness or emergency	Injury, possible fatality	Pupils, staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pupils trained in emergency procedure and first aid</li> <li>Group carries first aid kit</li> <li>Information gained re medical conditions, medication carried</li> <li>Leader has planned emergency procedures</li> <li>Communications (mobile phones coverage?) arranged</li> </ul>	Pre-planning of emergency procedures and communications	<b>Low</b>	
Exposure to extreme weather – cold, wet, heat and sun	Injury, possible fatality	Pupils, staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Daily weather forecast obtained</li> <li>All participants have suitable footwear, clothing and equipment</li> </ul>	Parents and pupils given checklist of clothing and equipment – kit checked before departure	<b>Low</b>	

*This generic risk assessment for school use identifies the common hazards and control measures associated with this type of visit or activity. Before undertaking the activity, the **GROUP LEADER** must also make an “**EVENT-SPECIFIC**” assessment of any risks associated with their particular visit, including the **SITE, GROUP, ACTIVITIES, STAFFING & TRAVEL**.*

LOCATION OF VISIT:

DATE(S):

ASSESSMENT CARRIED OUT BY: NAME:

SIGNED:

DATE: