

Risk Assessment for Schools

| HAZARD/AREA | RISK | EXISTING CONTROLS | L | S | L * S = Risk | ACTION TO TAKE |
|----------------------------------|--|---|---|---|-----------------|---|
| Entrance | Slips, Trips, Falls | Issue tickets to teachers and get the pupils through as quickly as possible. Crowd barrier electrical cable tied together. | 1 | 1 | 1 | Supervision by teachers. |
| Farm | Disease, Bites, Scratches, Escape | Hands to be washed after touching the animals. Hand washing facilities provided. Animals kept behind locked stand off barriers. Animals tested annually for Zoonoses disease. Regular cleaning and sanitising. Routine veterinary inspections. | 1 | 4 | 4 | Supervision by teachers especially on the Wallaby Walkthrough and in the petting barn. |
| Quadapillar Ride | Trips, Impact, Turning Over, Burning/Fire | Staff have full training on the use of the equipment. Fuel in approved containers and kept locked away. Last barrel fitted with a roll cage. The ride stays in the centre of the bumps. Spectators to stay behind the fence. Inspected and checked by ADIPS annually. Monitored by Knockhatch staff. | 1 | 3 | 3 | Supervision by teachers and staff. Students must read, understand and adhere to all Knockhatch Adventure Park's rules. |
| Owl Sanctuary | Pecks, Scratches, Disease from feed | All birds to be kept behind safety barriers. Raw food is kept away from the public. Gaulets used if handling. Outside firm to control vermin. Monitored by Knockhatch staff. Zoo licensed annually. | 1 | 2 | 2 | Supervision by teachers and staff. Students must read, understand and adhere to all Knockhatch Adventure Park's rules. |
| Owl Displays and Animal Displays | Pecks, Scratches, Impact from wings, Disease from feed | All displays to be run by competent staff. Only live stock with appropriate temperament to be used. Farm animals are screened annually for zoonotic diseases. Industry Code of Practiced followed. No food to be taken into the area. Hand washing to be done after the display. | 2 | 2 | 4 | Supervision by teachers and staff. Students must read, understand and adhere to all Knockhatch Adventure Park's rules. |
| Froggies Indoor Soft Play | Slips, Trips, Falls, Fear Fighting | No shoes allowed and socks must be worn. The equipment is checked regularly for damage and is repaired when needed. Equipment was installed by P H Leisure. Annually inspected by P H Leisure and RoSPA. Rules sign in place and ages need to be adhered too. Lights must be on and fire extinguishers in place. Fire alarm system in place and tested. Monitored by Knockhatch staff. | 2 | 1 | 2 | Supervision by teachers and staff. Students must read, understand and adhere to all Knockhatch Adventure Park's rules. |
| Arcade Area | Trips, Electrocuton | All wiring is on a RCD. Regularly inspected by Riley Amusements. No cables lying around the floor. | 1 | 1 | 1 | Supervision by teachers. |

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| Go Karts | Burning/Fire, Impact, Turning Over | Staff have full training on the use of the equipment. | 2 | 3 | 6 | Supervision by teachers and staff. |
| | | Fuel in approved containers and kept locked away. | | | | |
| | | Strict height limit adhered too. 1.3m +. | | | | Students must read, understand and adhere to all Knockhatch Adventure Park's rules. |
| | | Spectators to stay behind the fence. | | | | |
| | | Remote control cut off in good working order. | | | | |
| | | Track is inspected and certificated by ADIPS. | | | | |
| | | Monitored by Knockhatch staff. | | | | |
| Bungee Trampolines | Trips, Falls, Impact | Staff have full training on the use of the equipment. | 1 | 2 | 2 | Supervision by teachers and staff. |
| | | Warning signs i.e. Rules | | | | |
| | | Inspected annually by ADIPS. | | | | Students must read, understand and adhere to all Knockhatch Adventure Park's rules. |
| | | Equipment replaced when necessary. | | | | |
| | | Monitored by Knockhatch staff. | | | | |
| Blackbeard's Adventure Playground | Trips, Fall, Cuts | All equipment to be replaced when necessary. | 1 | 2 | 2 | Supervision by teachers. |
| | | Warning and rules signs i.e. Age limit, parents. | | | | |
| | | Inspected by RoSPA annually. | | | | Students must read, understand and adhere to all Knockhatch Adventure Park's rules. |
| | | All ages. Under 6's must be accompanied by a responsible adult. | | | | |
| Chestnut Wood SEN Adventure Playground | Trips, Falls, Cuts | All equipment to be used as per instruction boards. | 1 | 2 | 2 | Supervision by teachers. |
| | | All equipment to be replaced when necessary. | | | | |
| | | Inspected by RoSPA annually. | | | | Students must read, understand and adhere to all Knockhatch Adventure Park's rules. |
| | | Rules by each piece of equipment. | | | | |
| | | Only accessible with a RADAR Key. | | | | |
| Jumping Pillows | Falls, Neck Injury, Breaks | Play equipment for SEN children and their siblings only. | | | | |
| | | Only 24 persons allowed at one time on the big pillow | 2 | 4 | 8 | Supervision by teachers. |
| | | Only 11 persons allowed at one time on the small pillow and under 1 metre tall. | | | | |
| | | Small children to be separated from older children. | | | | |
| | | Slippery when wet. | | | | Students must read, understand and adhere to all Knockhatch Adventure Park's rules. |
| | | No shoes allowed. | | | | |
| | | No somersaults or flips allowed. | | | | |
| Signs stating the rules. | | | | | | |
| Crazy Golf | Impact | Inspected by ADIPS annually. | | | | |
| | | All equipment let out on a controlled basis. | 1 | 2 | 2 | Supervision by teachers. |
| | | No swinging of the clubs past hip height allowed. | | | | Students must read, understand and adhere to all Knockhatch Adventure Park's rules. |
| | | No hard hitting allowed. | | | | |
| Construction Site Mini Diggers | Trips, Falls, Impacts, Breaks | Low impact balls are used. | | | | |
| | | Inspected by ADIPS annually. | 1 | 2 | 2 | Supervision by teachers. |
| | | Working parts covered up and moving parts fenced off. | | | | |

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| Honeypot Bears Ride | Trips, Falls, Impact | Height limits apply. Riders must be 0.9m tall or above to ride on their own. Riders under 0.9m tall must be accompanied by a responsible adult (17yrs+). | 1 | 3 | 3 | Supervision by teachers and staff. |
| | | Staff have full training on the use of the equipment. | | | | |
| | | Locked when not in use. | | | | Students must read, understand and adhere to all Knockhatch Adventure Park's rules. |
| | | Riders must stay seated at all times. | | | | |
| | | Riders must not sit on the lump under the bears mouth. | | | | |
| | | Riders must not sit on laps. | | | | |
| | | All rules must be followed. | | | | |
| | | Inspected by ADIPS annually. | | | | |
| | | Spectators to be kept behind the fence. Monitored by Knockhatch Staff. | | | | |
| Boating Lake | Drowning, Impact, Disease | Staff have full training on the use of the equipment. | 1 | 5 | 5 | Supervision by teachers and staff. |
| | | Always in contact via radio. | | | | |
| | | Everyone must wear a buoyancy aid. | | | | Students must read, understand and adhere to all Knockhatch Adventure Park's rules. |
| | | Schools to decide whether the boats are required. | | | | |
| | | Staff to help customers in and out of the boat. | | | | |
| | | Under 16's need to be accompanied by an adult. One adult to three students per boat. | | | | |
| | | Vermin are controlled by a contracted pest controller. | | | | |
| | | Inspected by a boat inspector annually. Monitored by Knockhatch Staff. | | | | |
| Avalanche Slide | Impact, Friction Burns | All Ringo's to be removed when worn out. | 1 | 2 | 2 | Supervision by teachers and staff. |
| | | All signs to be adhered to, clear the bottom quickly and students must not run up and down the hill. | | | | Students must read, understand and adhere to all Knockhatch Adventure Park's rules. |
| | | Inspected by ADIPS annually. | | | | |
| | | No sharp drops. | | | | |
| | | Only use when Knockhatch staff in attendance. | | | | |
| | | Only one at a time unless, very small child, can ride with a teacher. | | | | |
| | | Keep hands in the ringo at all times and hold on tight. Sit in ringo only and stay seated until the ringo stops. | | | | |
| Mini Quad Bikes | Trips, Falls, Impact, Breaks | Quads designed for specific age 4yrs to 12yrs to ride on their own. | 2 | 3 | 6 | Supervision by teachers. |
| | | Adults can help if required or if riders are under 4 years old. | | | | |
| | | Knockhatch staff in attendance at all times and rules must be adhered to. | | | | Students must read, understand and adhere to all Knockhatch Adventure Park's rules. |
| | | Riders must stay seated until all quads have finished. | | | | |
| | | All spectators to stay behind the fence. Inspected by ADIPS annually. | | | | |
| Panning for Gems | Trips, Electrocutation | All wiring on RCD. | 1 | 4 | 4 | Supervision by teachers |
| | | Signs showing how to use in place. | | | | |
| | | Water quantity monitored | | | | |

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| Dragon Castle | Trips, Fall, Cuts | All ages. Under 6's must be accompanied by a responsible adult. | 1 | 1 | 1 | Supervision by teachers. |
| Adventure Playgrond | | All equipment to be replaced when necessary. | | | | |
| | | Inspected by ROSPA annually. | | | | Students must read, understand |
| | | Warning signs i.e. Age limit, parents. | | | | and adhere to all Knockhatch |
| | | Pre-commissioned by a RoSPA inspector. | | | | Adventure Park's rules. |
| Tommy Tractor | Trips, Fall, Cuts | For anybody aged 3 - 12 years old. | 1 | 2 | 2 | Supervision by teachers |
| Playbarn | | All equipment to be replaced when necessary. | | | | Students must read, |
| | | Inspected by RoSPA annually. | | | | understand and adhere |
| | | Warning signs i.e. Age limit, parents. | | | | to all Knockhatch Adventure Park's |
| | | | | | | rules. |
| Dino Safari | Trips, Falls, Impact | Heights limits apply. Must be under 0.9m or above to ride. | 1 | 3 | 3 | Supervision by teachers and staff. |
| Simulator Ride | | Staff have full training on the use of the equipment. | | | | |
| | | Locked when not in use. | | | | Students must read, understand |
| | | No one to leave the their seat before the ride stops. | | | | and adhere to all Knockhatch |
| | | Inspected by ADIPS annually. | | | | Adventure Park's rules. |
| | | Spectators to be kept behind the fence. | | | | |
| | | Monitored by Knockhatch Staff. | | | | |
| Wave Runner 2 | Trips, Falls, Impact | Heights limits/age restrictions must be adhered. | 1 | 4 | 4 | Supervision by teachers and staff. |
| Family Water Coaster | | Staff have full training on the use of the equipment. | | | | |
| | | Locked when not in use. | | | | Students must read, understand |
| | | No one to leave the their seat before the ride stops. | | | | and adhere to all Knockhatch |
| | | Inspected by ADIPS annually. | | | | Adventure Park's rules. |
| | | Spectators to be kept behind the fence. | | | | |
| | | Monitored by Knockhatch Staff. | | | | |
| Paddling Pool | Slip, Trip, Cut, Bump | Warning Sign. | 2 | 2 | 4 | Supervision by teachers. |
| | | No running. | | | | |
| | | Safety floor surface. | | | | Students must read, understand |
| | | Astro turf edge. | | | | and adhere to all Knockhatch |
| | Drowning | Fenced and gated off. | 1 | 5 | 5 | Adventure Park's rules. |
| | | Only allow pupils in the area with teachers supervision. | | | | |
| | Infection, Disease | Water is quality controlled and cleaned and replaced regularly. | 1 | 5 | 5 | |
| Tractor Tom Ride | Trips, Falls, Impact | Height limits apply. Must be 0.85m - 1.4m. | 1 | 3 | 3 | Supervision by teachers and staff. |
| | | Staff have full training on the use of the equipment. | | | | |
| | | Locked when not in use. | | | | Students must read, understand |
| | | Seat belts to be worn whilst the ride is operating. | | | | and adhere to all Knockhatch |
| | | No one to leave their seat before the ride stops. | | | | Adventure Park's rules. |
| | | Inspected by ADIPS annually. | | | | |
| | | Spectators to be kept behind the fence. | | | | |
| | | Monitored by Knockhatch Staff. | | | | |

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| Sherlock Holmes Experience | Slips, Trips, Falls, Panic | 12a recommendation. | 1 | 1 | 1 | Supervision by teachers and staff. |
| | | Warning signs and rule signs. | | | | |
| | | All children under 17 years old should be accompanied by an adult. | | | | Students must read, understand and adhere to all Knockhatch |
| | | Fire Alarms and Fire Extinguishers. | | | | Adventure Park's rules. |
| | | Emergency Lights and Exit. | | | | |
| | | Loud noises designed to scare. | | | | |
| | | Staff controlled. | | | | |
| The Lost World Playbarn | Slips, Trips, Falls, Fear, Fighting | Shoes and/or socks must be worn. | 2 | 1 | 2 | Supervision by teachers and staff. |
| | | The equipment is checked regularly for damage and is repaired when needed. | | | | Students must read, understand and adhere to all Knockhatch |
| | | Equipment was installed by David Taylor commercial play installer and pre-commissioned by a RoSPA inspector. | | | | Adventure Park's rules. |
| | | Annually inspected by a soft play maintenance firm and RoSPA. | | | | |
| | | Rules sign in place and ages need to be adhered too. | | | | |
| | | Lights must be on and fire extinguishers in place. | | | | |
| | | Fire alarm system in place and tested. | | | | |
| | | Monitored by Knockhatch staff. | | | | |
| Dino Drop Ride | Trips, Falls, Impact | Height/age limits apply. All riders must be 0.9m tall or above to ride on their own. Riders under 4 years old must be accompanied by a responsible adult (17yrs+). | 1 | 3 | 3 | Supervision by teachers and staff. |
| | | Staff have full training on the use of the equipment. | | | | |
| | | Locked when not in use. | | | | Students must read, understand and adhere to all Knockhatch |
| | | Riders must stay seated at all times. | | | | Adventure Park's rules. |
| | | All rules must be followed. | | | | |
| | | Inspected by ADIPS annually. | | | | |
| | | Spectators to be kept behind the fence. | | | | |
| | | Monitored by Knockhatch staff. | | | | |
| Jungle Splash | Slip, Trip, Cut, Bump | Rules sign in place and needs to be adhered too. | 2 | 2 | 4 | Supervision by teachers. |
| | | No running. | | | | |
| | | Non slip floor surface. | | | | Students must read, understand and adhere to all Knockhatch |
| | Drowning | Astro turf edge. | | | | Adventure Park's rules. |
| | | Fenced off. | 1 | 5 | 5 | |
| | | No climbing on the trees or rocks. | | | | |
| | | Slides can only be used if a staff member is in attendance. | | | | |
| | Only allow pupils in the area with teachers supervision. | | | | | |
| | Infection, Disease | Water is quality controlled and cleaned and replaced regularly. | 1 | 5 | 5 | |

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| Blackbeard's Buccaneer Ride | Trips, Falls, Impact | Height limits apply. Riders must be at least 92cm tall. To ride on their own riders must be 125cm tall or above. Riders between 92cm to 125cm tall must be accompanied by a responsible adult (17yrs+). | 1 | 3 | 3 | Supervision by teachers and staff. |
| | | Staff have full training on the use of the equipment. | | | | |
| | | Locked when not in use. | | | | Students must read, understand and adhere to all Knockhatch Adventure Park's rules. |
| | | Riders must stay seated at all times. | | | | |
| | | Maximum 4 per row. | | | | |
| | | Riders must not sit on laps. | | | | |
| | | All rules must be followed. | | | | |
| | | Inspected by ADIPS annually. | | | | |
| | | Spectators to be kept behind the fence. Monitored by Knockhatch Staff. | | | | |
| Jungle Kingdom | Pecks, Scratches | All animals kept behind safety barriers. | 1 | 2 | 2 | Supervision by teachers and staff. |
| | | Do not climb on rocks. | | | | |
| | | Do not lean over the glass. | | | | Students must read, understand and adhere to all Knockhatch Adventure Park's rules. |
| | | Do not climb over the safety barriers. | | | | |
| | | Outside firm to control vermin. | | | | |
| | | All rules for this area must be followed. Monitored by Knockhatch staff. Zoo licensed annually. | | | | |
| Cannon Arena | Slips, Trips, Falls, Fear, Fighting | Shoes and/or socks must be worn. | 2 | 1 | 2 | Supervision by teachers and staff. |
| | | The equipment is checked regularly for damage and is repaired when needed. | | | | Students must read, understand and adhere to all Knockhatch Adventure Park's rules. |
| | | Equipment was installed by Rupert Olivers Ideas Factory commercial play installer and pre-commissioned by a RoSPA inspector. | | | | |
| | | Annually inspected by a soft play maintenance firm and RoSPA. | | | | |
| | | Rules sign in place and ages need to be adhered too. | | | | |
| | | Lights must be on and fire extinguishers in place. | | | | |
| | | Fire alarm system in place and tested. | | | | |
| | | Monitored by Knockhatch staff. | | | | |
| Rock Climbing Wall | Falling, Collision, Hitting climbing surface | Weight limit applies. Minimum 20.5kg. Maximum 113kg | 2 | 3 | 6 | Supervision by teachers and staff. |
| | | Staff have full training on the use of the equipment. | | | | Students must read, understand and adhere |
| | | Safety inspections daily. | | | | |
| | | Carabena and ropes replaced annually. | | | | |
| | | Inspected by ADIPS annually. | | | | |
| | | Signage in place stating the rules. Monitored by Knockhatch Staff. | | | | to all Knockhatch Adventure Park's rules. |

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| Magical Wood | Trips, Fall, Cuts | All equipment to be replaced when necessary. | 1 | 2 | 2 | Supervision by teachers. |
| Immersive Play Area | | Warning and rules signs i.e. Age limit, parents. | | | | |
| | | Inspected by RoSPA annually. | | | | Students must read, understand |
| | | Interactive Screen is for all ages. | | | | and adhere to all Knockhatch |
| | | Play area is for children under 11 years old only. | | | | Adventure Park's rules. |
| | | Under 6's must be accompanied by a responsible adult at all times and on | | | | |
| | | the apparatus. | | | | |
| | | Pre-commissioned by a RoSPA inspector. | | | | |
| Car Park | Slip, Trips, Falls, | Policy of rubbish clearance. | 2 | 1 | 2 | |
| | Car Impact | Entrance designed to slow vehicles down as they drive in. | | | | |
| | | Sign warning of pedestrians. | | | | |
| Paths | Slips, Trips | Stones brushed regularly. | 1 | 2 | 2 | |
| | | Tarmac to main areas for wheelchairs and pushchair access. | | | | |
| | | Pathway cut regularly to keep grass low. | 1 | 2 | 2 | |
| Maintenance | Impact from fallen branches | Staff on the look out for such items | 1 | 1 | 2 | |
| | Cuts from sharp edges | during checks. | | | | |
| Maintenance Equipment | Injury, Death | Lockable storage areas. | 1 | 2 | 3 | |
| | | All equipment kept away from the public, and locked at all times except | | | | |
| | | when being used. | | | | |
| Fences | Cuts,Splinters | All nails/screws securely into wood. | 1 | 3 | 3 | |
| | | Parents/Guardians to supervise. | | | | |
| | | Annually maintained and checked regularly. | | | | |
| | | Put into storage over the winter. | | | | |
| Position of First Aid | Excessive time in obtaining | First aid point in the Gift Shop. | 2 | 2 | 4 | |
| | equipment. | All areas in contact with manager/first aider by radio. | | | | |
| Toilets | Cuts,Bruises,Broken Bones | Floor must be clean and dry. | 1 | 3 | 3 | |
| | Sickness,Disease | Checks on toilets throughout the day. | | | | |
| | | Bins emptied when full. | | | | |
| | | Warm water and soap always available. | | | | |
| | | Hand drying machines. | | | | |
| | | Toilets cleaned daily. | | | | |
| Poisoning | Chemicals | Chemicals kept in locked shed and in the | 1 | 3 | 3 | |
| | | kitchen away from customers. | | | | |
| Electrocution | Injury,Death | Wiring checked daily. | 1 | 1 | 1 | |
| | | Installation by qualified electrician. | | | | |
| | | Control box kept away from public. | | | | |

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| Zoo/Farm Barriers | Public getting in with animals | Safety barriers designed to stop young children getting in with any animals. | 3 | 3 | 9 | Supervision by teachers. |
| | | Signage saying not to climb any barriers. | 1 | 3 | 3 | |
| | Public being bitten | No public allowed into the pens without supervision. | 2 | 3 | 6 | |
| | | Gates to pens are locked at all times. | 2 | 3 | 6 | |
| | | Staff on hand at all times. | | | | |
| Disease | Members of public catching disease from animals | Signs and safety barriers keeping animals and public apart. | 2 | 5 | 10 | |
| | | Signs in place and facilities to wash or sanitize hands | | | | |
| | | No eating in the zoo sections. | | | | |
| | | Bedding and faeces to be cleaned and none to be left in the pedestrian areas. | | | | |
| | | Screening of animals in accordance to zoo license. | | | | |

L = Likelihood 1-5

S = Severity 1-5

L*S = Risk 1-25

1 = Low

25 = High

The generic risk assessment is brief and each attraction has a separate risk assessment.

It is recommended that teachers undertake their own risk assessments to suit their requirements.

All staff have be fully trained to use all the attractions.

First Aid is always available

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