

Orienteering & Geocaching

Name of Section or Activity (and version number)	Waddecar Scout Activity Centre Orienteering & Geocaching V2023-01	Date of risk assessment	4 th January 2023	Review Date	January 2024	Name and Role of who undertook this risk assessment	Damian King Centre Manager
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Hazard Identified? / Risks from it?	Who is at risk?	How are the risks already controlled? What extra controls are needed?
Hazard – something that may cause harm or damage. Risk – the chance of it happening.	Young people, Leaders, Visitors?	Controls – Ways of making the activity safer by removing or reducing the risk from it. For example - you might use a different piece of equipment, or you might change the way the activity is carried out.
Slips, trips, and falls	All	Participants must be appropriately briefed prior to starting the activity.
Exposure (including resulting from getting lost)	Participants	Instructor and leaders to ensure all group have adequate kit as appropriate, including sun cream, hats, warm clothes, waterproofs Instructor to give training in navigation as appropriate before the group leaves and select an appropriate difficulty level. Consider a star course first off. Instructor to brief group about what to do if the group is lost, when and where to meet and strategy for finding their way back
Falling from height	Participants	Instructor to brief group not to climb on cliffs and take it steady on rough terrain, stick to the paths as much as possible. Group to be instructed to use common sense when using GPS and not to follow them blindly.

Completed by	Name, Damian King Role / level: Waddecar Centre Manager Date; 4 th January 2023	Checked by Line Manager	Name, Role / level Date
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Additional information can be found in the [Safety Checklist for Leaders](https://scouts.org.uk/safety) and other information at scouts.org.uk/safety