

Woodlarks Camp Site Risk assessment

Activity: Use of Portable Ladders.

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What are the hazards?	Who might be harmed and how?	What are you already doing to control the risks?	Initial Risk	What further action do you need to take to control the risks?	Revised Risk
Falling from height	Person using the ladder	Users to ensure ladder is on firm, level ground. Maintain three points of contact when on ladder. Do not overreach. Use correct type and height of ladder.	High	Ensure persons who use the ladders are appropriate to be using them.	Med
Ladder slipping or toppling	Others working nearby	Ladder to be inspected before use. Ladder to be secured or footed if necessary. Do not set up near doors or routes without warning barriers or tape.		Ensure appropriate PPE is available for use.	
Contact with electricity		Do not use metal ladders near electrical sources, check for overhead cables.		Ensure ladder position is at a safe angle (1 in 4 rule: base 1m out for every 4m height).	
Objects falling from ladder		Keep tools and fixings secure, keep area below ladder clear.		Only work from a ladder for short durations and light tasks.	
Musculoskeletal strain from carrying ladder		Use correct lifting technique - get assistance with long or heavy ladders.			
Weather conditions (rain, wind)		Avoid ladder use in high winds or wet/slippery conditions.			
		PPE provided for use.			