

GLENMORE LODGE RISK ASSESSMENT

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Activity: Mountain Country, Winter

Location : Mountain and Remote Areas in the UK in Winter, where use of a rope is not foreseen

HAZARD	RISK	AT RISK Students (S) Instructors (I) Public (P)	PROBABILITY Low (L) Appreciable (A) High (H)	LEVEL Minor (M) Serious (S) Fatal (F)	MANAGEMENT	OK/AMEND
Weather	Hypothermia and/or exhaustion, particularly if delayed/lost due to poor weather including whiteouts, blizzards, very strong winds. Cold injuries (frost nip, frostbite) in bad weather. Sun burn. Snowblindness. Injury due to lightning strike. Can lead to change in avalanche hazard; snow/ice conditions, etc. <i>See relevant sections below.</i>	S, I	A L L L	MSF MS MS MSF	Specialist mountain weather forecasts consulted where available. Local weather reports obtained where available. PPE appropriate to weather conditions carried by students and instructors. Instructors trained and experienced in navigation, weather signs and appropriate first aid. <i>Refer to other sections for specific hazards which are affected by weather e.g. avalanche.</i>	
Steep broken terrain. Slippery rock(inc. verglas), snow on grass, muddy, icy or loose paths. Steep snow and ice slopes. Cornices.	Possibility of injury due to slips, stumbles or falls in ascent/descent (inc. tripping over crampons). Also risk of injury due to stonefall and/or icefall, either natural or caused by participants or other walkers. Avalanche risk (<i>see section below</i>)	S I P	A L/A	MSF MSF	Route chosen is appropriate to students' abilities and prevailing conditions. Students are suitably trained in basic defensive winter skills. Students are supervised as appropriate to their abilities and prevailing conditions. Appropriate PPE (CE approved) is used. Instructors are suitably trained and experience. The element of risk is understood and accepted by all. <i>Refer to weather and avalanche section.</i>	
Water hazards such as burns, rivers, snow bridges and marshy ground	Burns/rivers in spate may occasion lengthy detours leading to risk of exhaustion and hypothermia in students. Possibility of slipping or falling into water resulting in immersion hypothermia and increased risk of cold injuries. Risk of drowning. Physical trauma.	S I	L L L L	MSF MSF	Specialist mountain weather forecasts consulted where available. Local weather reports obtained where available. Instructors take into account implications of burns/rivers in spate on route choice; are conversant with weather signs; are trained and experience in river crossing techniques and procedures. Students receive appropriate instruction and supervision in river crossing techniques	

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Avalanche All types	Risk of burial/trauma injuries; being swept over broken ground and resulting injuries. Avalanches being triggered by students, instructor, other walkers or environmental influences.	S I P	Variable	MSF MSF	Specialist mountain weather and avalanche forecasts consulted as appropriate. Local weather forecasts obtained where available. Instructors suitably trained and experienced in avalanche awareness and avoidance using a variety of information sources and techniques; Be Avalanche Aware planning guidance, conditions board and collective knowledge of the staff working team, safe travel methods; search and rescue techniques. Use of Tranceivers, shovels and probes when appropriate.	

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