



Risk Assessment

Potential Hazard	At Risk	Likelihood of Risk	Seriousness of Risk	Control Measure
Vehicle Movement	Staff, Adults and Children	Low	Medium	Information on site and access agreed prior to visit. Any restrictions and speed limits obeyed. Event organiser/Teacher to meet on arrival and site vehicle.
Possible Injuries	Adults and children	Low	Medium	Verbal warnings to visitors, children constantly supervised when around the animals.
Slip and trip hazards	Adults and Children	Low	Low	Staff and children made aware at of hazards and the care needed.
Falling hurdles/fencing	Adults, Children and Staff	Low	Medium	Secure erection of all fencing, double checked prior to start of session. Visitors asked not to lean on fencing.
Animals escaping	Adults, Children & Staff	Low	Low	All animals safely secured in appropriate fenced pens. Fencing checked before visit.
Movement of animals	Adults and Children	Low	Low	Animals moved before children/visitors arrive, pens secured to prevent animals escaping.
Animal bites	Adults and Children	Low	Medium	Verbal warnings, children and adults to respect animals and follow staff instructions. All children supervised
Unpredictable animal behaviour	Adults and Children	Low	Medium	Staff all experienced animal handlers, children to be supervised at all times.
Virus or germs from touching animals	Adults and Children	Low	High	Animals to arrive with no known infection. Pregnant woman to avoid contact with sheep and lambs. School to provide hand washing facilities and antibacterial hand wash provided if necessary. School to confirm that cuts, grazes etc on any exposed skin are covered with a waterproof dressing/plaster
Allergies	Adults and Children	Low	High	Adults to be aware and responsible for their own allergy. Schools asked prior that children with allergies related to animals should not take part.

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