Millers Dale Bridge Risk Assesment

ACTIVITY / TASK	RISK	High/Med /Low	MEASURES TAKEN
Abseiling at Millers Dale bridge	Risk of confusion of abseilers going to the wrong instructors on the bridge	LOW	Either meet them in the car park or give prior and clear instructions to all abseilers at the registration point in the car park to report to the 'red flag' area only on the bridge
	Risk of harnesses being put on incorrectly	MEDIUM	An SPA qualified instructor will be instructing and supervising the putting on of harnesses and other PPE equipping with the abseilers at all times. The harnesses will be checked again immediately before their individual abseil and before they get clipped in
	Risk of helmets not being fitted properly	MEDIUM	An SPA qualified instructor will be instructing and supervising the putting on of helmets and other PPE equipping with the abseilers at all times. The helmets will be checked again immediately before their individual abseil and before they get clipped in
	Risk of abseilers loosing control	HIGH	All abseils will be supervised by a qualified SPA instructor, safety ropes will be used and the abseil rope will be on an Italian Hitch quick release system
	Risk of clothing, jewellery or hair being caught in the figure of eight abseil devise	MEDIUM	The qualified SPA instructor that kits them up by the red flag will check all clothing, jewellery, hair etc and advise appropriately. Hair bands will be available
	Risk of hands being burned on the abseil rope by abseilers going to fast	LOW	The qualified SPA instructors will warn of the risk and slow any one down who goes to fast. Gloves will be made available
	Risk of fingers being caught in the figure of eight abseil device	MEDIUM	All abseilers to be warned of the risk and shown appropriate positions for their hands
	Abseilers being un certain of what to do at the bottom	MEDIUM	If in the case of a large group, a qualified SPA instructor will be at the bottom supervising abseilers coming off the ropes and advising them on the route back up to the bridge. In the case of a small group with one SPA, clear instructions will be given at the top and the whole group will be walked to the bottom of the abseil and have the procedure demonstrated to them again.
	Risk of clients at the bottom being hit on the head by falling objects being dropped from the bridge	HIGH	Everyone to keep their helmets on until they are back at the top of the footpath
	Derwent Pursuits staff losing concentration through the monotony of a charity abseil	LOW	All staff to rotate functions every hour
	General		All operations will be within the guidelines of AALA and MLTB, and the PDNP Licence permit.

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