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## Area Description

Students attending the Safari School experience. Covers all areas and types of task the student will be engaged in.

## Related Risk Assessments & Documentation

- ARA-GEN-001 General Site Risk Assessment
- SI-GEN-001 Risk Assessment Guidance for Schools & Groups
- ARA-GEN-002 Site Vehicles Risk Assessment
- Area & Task Risk Assessments within Sections of the Park

People groups affected								
	Employees		Contractors					
✓	Public / Visitors		[Other]					

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Risk Rating = (Severity x Likelihood)												
Severity (S)	Likelihood (L)											
1: No injury; No First A	1: Very Unlikely											
2: Minor Injury; < 3 Da	nage	2: Unlikely										
3: > 3 Days off; Serious	Damage; Loss		<b>3</b> : Possible									
4: Major Injury; Loss; E	Business Interrupt	ion	<b>4</b> : Probable									
5: Fatality; Business Cl	5: Certain											
Rating (R)	<b>16 – 25</b> (High)											

Risk Type / Reference	Description of Hazard / Accident / Injury / Loss		I Risk Rating - Without Controls		Controls in Place	ℑ Risk With (		_
[1] Manual Handling	Injury to the back, neck, or upper-limbs – either Chronic or Acute – due to Manual Handling. Notably via:  Handling animal feed, bedding materials, etc.  Manual use of shovels, wheelbarrows, buckets, etc.  Leading large animals (llama; goat; pig)  Carrying a load up / downstairs, thereby not holding the handrail	3	4	12	Control Measures:  • Manual Handling for students will be minimised  • Wheelbarrows, handled buckets, & other lifting aids available in all departments  • Food and other equipment is of a generally reasonable size and weight for 1 person – Feed bags, buckets, etc. will be filled to a manageable weight for the individual  Expected Behaviours:  • Keepers will never ask students to lift or move heavy items  • Safe lifting behaviours are expected – Lift from the knees, do not jerk, twist, or strain  • Heavier loads to be shared between 2 people  • Students must lift only objects of a weight / size that is comfortable to do so	2	2	4
[2] Slips, Trips, & Falls	<ul> <li>A fall resulting in injury, a sprained ankle, or other related injury caused by a Slip, Trip, or Fall. Notably via:</li> <li>❖ A slip or trip on muddy, wet, or rough ground</li> <li>❖ A slip on wet or slick floors (e.g. in penguin enclosure)</li> <li>❖ A trip due to material left in walkways or working areas – e.g. uncoiled hose, laid down buckets, bags, etc.</li> <li>❖ A trip or fall due to handling / carrying a load (e.g. carrying a box up or downstairs - not holding the handrail)</li> <li>❖ A trip due to running, inattention, or similar behaviour</li> </ul>	4	3	12	<ul> <li>Control Measures:</li> <li>All students must have suitable footwear – Either wellington boots, or sturdy lace-up boots. Footwear must have good grip in the soles</li> <li>Housekeeping standards are in place for all areas of the park</li> <li>Expected Behaviours:</li> <li>Any issues – such as a pothole, or loose door strip – should be reported to a keeper</li> <li>Food to be carried in single-handed buckets or containers</li> <li>Good housekeeping is expected in all areas – trip hazards should never be left in areas or walkways where a person may slip or trip over them</li> <li>Keepers will not ask students to climb over / access any areas where there is a significant slip / trip hazard</li> <li>Students are expected to follow rules from keepers / other responsible persons – i.e. No running, climbing, accessing areas without permission</li> </ul>	2	2	4

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[3] Contact with Animals	Serious Injury to a student due to contact with an animal.  Notably via:  ❖ Being injured by an animal where contact is permitted:  ○ Being knocked down, stood on, pulled over, or struck by a larger animal (horse; llama; goat)  ○ Being bitten or scratched by an animal (meerkat; lemur; penguin; otter; goat)  ○ Being pecked, cut, or receiving a puncture wound from a Bird of Prey  ❖ Being injured by an animal where contact is NOT permitted:  ○ Being crushed or grabbed by a Large Mammal (e.g. Elephant; Rhino) due to being too close or in full contact  ○ Being bitten or scratched by a Dangerous Animal through bars or over the enclosure (no full body exposure)  ○ Being mauled, crushed, etc. due to being fully exposed to a dangerous animal (e.g. a person being in an enclosure with a Tiger)	4	4	16	<ul> <li>Control Measures:</li> <li>Clear distinction between animals where contact is permitted (e.g. goats, pigs) and animals where contact is Not permitted (e.g. Lions, chimpanzees)</li> <li>Students shall always be in the charge of a keeper who is competent and fully aware of the Safe Working Procedures for the animal section being worked in</li> <li>Students shall always be given adequate information from an experienced keeper regarding the correct behaviours around the animals</li> <li>No student shall approach or handle any animal / bird unless authorised by the supervising keeper</li> <li>Animals shall be locked out of bedroom areas during cleaning, as appropriate</li> <li>Contactable animals all have generally predictable patterns of behaviour and are used to regular contact with people. Students will not be permitted to enter a section where animals are known to be aggressive</li> <li>Control Procedures are in place to prevent an unauthorised person from accessing dangerous animals. Any entry to a Class 1 animal enclosure shall follow the Animal Lock-Out procedure</li> <li>Class 1 Animals have a Yellow Line marked around the enclosure – Students shall be informed never to cross this line</li> <li>All Keepers carry a radio at all times</li> <li>Expected Behaviours:</li> <li>Students should not turn their back on larger animals</li> <li>Students must follow the instructions of keepers at all times</li> <li>Any bites, scratches, or other injury must be reported immediately</li> </ul>	2	2	4
[4] Zoonoses & Bacteria	Ill health caused by exposure to bacteria, virus, or other agent carried by animals. Notably via:  E.Coli or similar due to contact with infected material Consumption of food after contact with infected material Infection of a bite or scratch by an animal Soiled dusts being inhaled or touching eyes	4	3	12	Control Measures:  • Animals are regularly tested for Zoonotics, via faeces sampling  • Nitrile Gloves are available & must be worn for cleaning and food preparation duties  • Overalls are provided – to be worn for all potentially dirty work  • Hand-washing stations & disinfectant gel is available throughout the park  • First Aiders are on site to respond to any scratch or bite – any such injured person would be advised to go to hospital and have a tetanus booster as necessary  • Any animal involved in a scratch or bite incident shall be monitored via the vet  Expected Behaviours:  • Keepers to continually remind students to wash hands prior to work  • All students must wash hands regularly - and always before eating or drinking	2	2	4

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[5] Weather / Temperature	Injury caused by exposure to adverse weather conditions. Notably via:  Sunburn due to prolonged exposure while working outside Illness / Discomfort due to exposure to wind, rain, & cold conditions while working outside Being struck by a falling branch / other blown material while working outside in high winds	4	3	12	Control Measures:  • Shaded areas & buildings available for use during warm or cold weather  • Access to drinking water around the park  • Waterproofs are available for students to use if required  Expected Behaviours:  • In adverse weather conditions, keepers shall remove students indoors  • Appropriate clothing should be worn / brought to site by students – including appropriate layers for the weather, changes of clothing, & waterproofs  • Students should bring sun cream as necessary	1	2	2
[6] Work at Height	<ul> <li>Injury caused by a fall from height. Notably via:</li> <li>A fall from a fence while stepping / climbing over</li> <li>A fall from a ladder while accessing or carrying out work in animal areas (e.g. entering/exiting the meerkat enclosure; reaching equipment; hanging up food or enrichment materials)</li> <li>A fall due to climbing up or over things without permission (e.g. climbing onto a high shelf; standing on a chair)</li> </ul>	4	3	12	<ul> <li>Control Measures:         <ul> <li>Suitable Ladders are held by departments, in good condition</li> <li>Gates into enclosures are available – stepping over fences should be minimal</li> <li>Work at Height by students will be minimal – e.g. ladders shall only be used for the purposes of hanging food for animals, or entry into sections</li> <li>Any step or extension ladder use – 2 people must be present, one footing the ladder</li> </ul> </li> <li>Expected Behaviours:         <ul> <li>Students should use gates to enter sections, rather than step over fences</li> <li>Users of ladders to enter the meerkat section must always: check the condition of the ladder is good; check it is sitting securely; check it is held or otherwise unlikely to fall</li> <li>Students hanging food / enrichment materials shall follow the instructions of the keeper – suitable ladders or steps shall be used and footed by a keeper</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	2	2	4
[7] Cuts	Cut or puncture injuries during food preparation, or via contact with sharp materials. Notably via:  Cut to the hand from a kitchen knife during food preparation – particularly where cutting tough foods such as turnip  A puncture wound from a protruding nail or rough wood  A cut or similar injury while using basic Hand Tools – e.g. Hammer and nail to repair a fence round an animal enclosure	3	4	12	<ul> <li>Control Measures:</li> <li>All kitchen knives are cleaned regularly, sharpened as necessary, and used on chopping boards – with anti-slip – in a suitable manner</li> <li>Students shall be briefed on the correct safe use and handling of knives prior to start</li> <li>Students shall be given the knife of correct size for the food to be cut</li> <li>Anti-slip mat (e.g. damp cloth) to be placed under chopping board to prevent slipping</li> <li>Students cutting up animal foods shall be supervised</li> <li>All knives shall be counted in and out for the task</li> <li>Fences, gates, etc. are regularly checked for damage or wear</li> <li>Any job involving use of hand tools shall be minor in nature, closely supervised, and carried out using appropriate tools (e.g. using a drill to screw a sign in place)</li> <li>Expected Behaviours:</li> <li>Students should report any problems that may cause a cut or puncture wound – such as protruding nails, broken wood, or similar</li> </ul>	2	2	4

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[8] Crush / Entrapment	Injury to a person due to being crushed or entrapped. Notably via:  Crushed between automatically closing gates / doors Crushed due to exposure to an animal – namely a Large Mammal (Rhino or Elephant) crushing a person against a wall	5	3	12	Control Measures:  • Automatic gates/doors fitted with sensors to prevent crush injuries  • Routine maintenance / inspection on all auto-closing gates / doors  • Procedures are in place to prevent access to dangerous areas around Large mammals  • Members of staff equipped with radios & emergency contact phone numbers  • Students shall be under supervision of Park Personnel at all times  Expected Behaviours:  • Students must follow area rules – i.e. Keep behind marked yellow lines by cages  • See [[3] Contact with Animals] above	5	1	5
[9] Vehicles	<ul> <li>Injury caused by contact between a student &amp; a moving vehicle.; or Injury caused by a student crashing a park vehicle. Notably via:</li> <li>A student being struck by a car, or other public vehicle</li> <li>A student being struck by a park vehicle – e.g. reversing into the yard area; a buggy operating on walkways; a tractor</li> <li>A student driving and crashing a park vehicle – e.g. an electric buggy</li> </ul>	4	3	12	Control Measures:  No student is permitted to operate any park vehicle  Vehicles transporting students shall be in good condition, mechanically sound and driven by a UK driving licence holder  Site Speed Limit of 15mph applies  Park buggies used on walkways are only used outside of visitor hours, unless strictly necessary. Buggies provide a good field of vision  Expected Behaviours:  Keepers using a park vehicle are expected to conform to all BDSP driving standards  Students are expected to keep to walkways and suitable crossing points  Keepers / Supervisors to confirm with management if any unusual vehicle activity is expected in their section while a Safari School is underway	2	2	4
[10] Unauthorised Access	<ul> <li>Injury or fatality caused by contact with equipment, materials, or animals not meant to be accessible to students. Notably via:</li> <li>A student entering a keeper only area without permission or supervision (e.g. pool area of Sea Lion house; Vehicle yard)</li> <li>A student entering a keeper-only work area, plant room, storage room, etc. (e.g. Electrical substation; Water treatment plant)</li> <li>A student entering an animal enclosure (e.g. Macaque section)</li> </ul>	3	4	12	Control Measures:  • Students shall be supervised by competent members of staff  • Prominent 'No Access' signs on entrances to staff only areas  • All doors & gates kept locked when no staff present  • Dangerous Animal Sections are always locked  Expected Behaviours:  • Students are expected to follow site rules & the rules set down by keepers  • Keepers must habitually close and bolt gates and doors	3	2	6

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[11] Chemical Contact	Injury to a student due to contact with a Chemical. Notably via:  A splash of cleaning chemical to the eyes Ingestion of chemicals due to eating, following hand contact Access to animal medicines	5	3	12	Control Measures:  • Students shall be permitted to contact only basic cleaning materials (Low Risk)  • Water Treatment Chemicals shall not be contacted by students  • Animal Medicines are securely locked  Expected Behaviours:  • Students must always wear the PPE provided to them for particular tasks — e.g. Nitrile gloves; dust mask	5	1	5
[12] Electrical Hazards	Injury caused by a failure of or fault with electrical equipment.  Notably via:  Damage to an electrical socket, plug, or other piece of equipment  Water ingress to electrical equipment (fixed or portable)  Overloading a socket	5	3	15	Control Measures:  • Students are never expected to use Electrical Equipment unless they are clearly shown the correct operation and are closely supervised  • Any electrical equipment shall be visually checked prior to use  Expected Behaviours:  • All persons should visually check the condition of cables, plugs, sockets, etc. that they are using - Any damaged electrical equipment should not be used  • Extension cables must be checked for cuts / damage  • No-one should overload a socket (e.g. due to using multiple adapters or multi-points)	5	1	5
[13] Fire & Emergency	Injury to a person due to a Fire or other emergency. Level of injury ranges from minor to fatality, caused by smoke inhalation or burns. Notably via:  A building fire – Injury caused by lack of, or blocked, escape routes; Inadequate alarm; Inadequate information given  An animal escape emergency	5	3	15	Control Measures:  • Students to be briefed on fire evacuation procedures  • Students to be briefed on the Site Animal Escape Procedure  • Fire Alarms are in place in key buildings on site  • Buildings are equipped with Fire Extinguishers – inspected annually  Expected Behaviours:  • Smoking is discouraged in any area of the park  • The fire exits should never be blocked by equipment or materials  • Students must report / raise the alarm for any Fire or other type of Emergency	5	1	5