

## Water Play : Risk Assessment

Beresford Road Activity Centre

### Identified Hazard -

- Trips, slips, falls during –
  - Water Gun Play
  - Hose play
  - Bucket Play
  - Water Balloon Fight
  - Water tag
- Exposure to sun/wind
- Areas with bindis, sticks, broken glass, needles

### Risk Rating Key

- !!** Very High
- !** High Risk
- #** Medium Risk
- \*** Low Risk

Activity	Hazard	Risk (use matrix)	Control Measures	Who	When
			Staff will be required to read the Emergency Procedures Manual in consultation with this Risk Assessment		
			As per ACI Policies and relevant Regulations and Laws (Education and Care Services and WHS) –  Educators are to adhere to and enforce procedures set out in the following Policies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Child Behaviour Management</li> <li>● Absent and Missing Children Policy</li> <li>● First Aid – Management of Incident, Injury, Illness and Trauma</li> <li>● Supervision</li> <li>● Sun Protection</li> <li>● Work Health and Safety</li> </ul>	All Educators	On activity day
			– As per our Emergency Procedures Manual – Section 3.12 & 3.23 and Flip Chart – Medical Emergency Page –	All Educators	On activity day

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Follow Procedure set out in EPM for any Medical Emergencies and Needle Stick Injury and Syringe Disposal.</li> <li>Follow First Aid procedures.</li> </ul>		
Water Gun Play Hose play Bucket Play Water Balloon Fight Water tag	# Trips, slips, falls – sprains, fractures, bruises	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Educators are to ensure Safety Checklist is completed for area before commencement of activity.</li> <li>Children reminded of the Be Safe, Be Responsible &amp; Be Respectful rules.</li> <li>Children unable to follow set rules may be asked to leave the activity.</li> <li>Educators are to supervise following PAT – Position, Awareness &amp; Teamwork</li> <li>Educators will explain the water play rules with children before activity begins.</li> <li>Activity will be set up in area away from other activities being run to reduce the risk of children running into each other.</li> </ul>	All Educators	On activity day
Water Gun Play Hose play Bucket Play Water Balloon Fight Water tag	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exposure to sun</li> </ul> # sunburn, sunstroke and dehydration		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Educators and children must wear hats when UV is rated 3 and over.</li> <li>Educators and children must wear Sunscreen when UV is rated 3 and over. Applied and reapplied as per manufacturer’s instructions.</li> </ul>	All Educators	On activity day
Water Gun Play Hose play Bucket Play Water Balloon Fight Water tag	* Children leaving the area – child protection issues		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Children will be reminded to tell Educator when leaving an area.</li> <li>Children will be sent in pairs to use the toilets. Educator to be aware of time children have been away from area and follow up their whereabouts if been away for a longer than expected amount of time.</li> </ul>	All Educators	On activity day
Water Gun Play Hose play Bucket Play Water Balloon Fight Water tag	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Areas with bindis, sticks, broken glass, needles</li> </ul> ! Cuts, grazes, puncture wounds <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Needle Stick injuries</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If area has obstruction or hazard, Educator must be able to remove before commencement of activity.</li> <li>If unable to remove obstruction or hazard, Educator must cordon off and report to Responsible Person.</li> <li>Hazard Report and Maintenance log completed and forwarded to appropriate person to be actioned.</li> </ul>	All Educators  Coordinator / Responsible Person	On activity day  On activity day

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children and educator to wear enclosed shoes whilst playing.</li> <li>• Educators on site are First Aid trained and First Aid Kits fully stocked.</li> <li>• Phones, Walkie Talkies and Ipads to be charged for each Session.</li> <li>• Evacuation Trolley and mobile phone to be taken to areas away from main room.</li> </ul>	All Educators	On activity day
			For More detailed Risk Assessments will be required for specific activities eg water jumping castle, slip and slide	All Educators	On activity day
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# Risk Matrix

Use the risk matrix to determine the Risk Rating for the activity or area being assessed.

		IMPACT				
		Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Major	Severe
Likelihood	Almost Certain	Medium	High	High	Very High	Very High
	Likely	Medium	Medium	High	High	Very High
	Possible	Low	Medium	High	High	Very High
	Unlikely	Low	Low	Medium	Medium	High
	Rare	Low	Low	Medium	Medium	Medium

Likelihood		Impact	
<b>Almost Certain</b>	Is expected to occur in most circumstances	<b>Insignificant</b>	Injuries not requiring first aid
<b>Likely</b>	Will probably occur in most circumstances	<b>Minor</b>	First aid required
<b>Possible</b>	Could Occur at some time	<b>Moderate</b>	Medical treatment required
<b>Unlikely</b>	Not likely to occur in normal circumstances	<b>Major</b>	Hospital admission required
<b>Rare</b>	May occur only in exceptional circumstances	<b>Severe</b>	Death or permanent disability to one or more persons.

