

Off-site Walking

HAZARD		WHO MIGHT BE HARMED	IS THE RISK ADEQUATELY CONTROLLED
General (see also site-specific general hazards)	All hazards	All Participants	Surrey Outdoor Learning and Development (SOLD). staff to carry first aid kit, medical details, and mobile phone. Assisting staff to be issued with appropriate communication tools. Participants to be split into groups and briefed to always remain together. Group leader must ensure completed medical forms for all participants. S.O.L.D staff to carry mobile phone and first aid kit. Pre site visit and risk assessment completed by Surrey Outdoor Learning and Development (S.O.L.D) staff. Group leader must bring completed medical forms for all participants and ensure participants with medical conditions are known and appropriate medication is carried. Regular head counts. Where possible put a member of staff at the front and back of group.
Human	Trips and slips	All Participants	Briefing participants of potential dangers.
	Getting Lost	All Participants	S.O.L.D. staff must follow guidelines on briefing participants including what to do in the event of getting lost. Regular head counts. Brief group to always remain together, no wandering off. Where possible put a member of staff at the front and back of group.
Environmental	Road Traffic	All Participants and Staff	Ensure that participants are aware of roads, suitable parking areas provided, place staff at key crossing points on any roads involved. Always use pavements and pathways possible or have a leader at the front and rear of group. For instance: access tracks.
Environmental	Railway tracks	All Participants and Staff	Ensure participants are aware of boundaries close to railway tracks.
Environmental	Other users. Dogs Or Horse users	All Participants and Staff	Brief group about: - awareness of other path users, avoid contact.
Environmental	Drowning (if lakes, rivers streams present)	All Participants and Staff	Briefing on area and out of bounds areas.
Environmental	Face eye and body injuries from vegetation	All Participants and Staff	S.O.L.D. staff to brief, full body covering when walking through vegetation or use the paths only. Warn participants about branches & stems hazards. Ensure participants with any allergic reactions are known and appropriate medication is carried.
Environmental	Poisoning	All Participants	Brief participants not to eat or touch anything they are uncertain about.
Environmental	Strangers	All Participants	Brief young people not to talk to strangers. If they are in any doubt they should report to a member of staff.
Environmental	Exposure / Sunburn	All Participants	Ensure all participants are wearing appropriate clothing and protection from the weather. Check detailed weather forecast before commencing activity.
Environmental	Log Piles	All Participants	Brief group - No climbing on logs. Ensure clear boundaries given. Respect environment - DO not tamper with them.
Environmental	Forestry Work - Tractors & chopping	All Participants	Brief group - To remain away from 'Men at work or Forestry work' areas or pass with extreme caution only when permitted. Ensure clear boundaries given. Observe signs and respond to those signs.
Equipment	Inaccurate maps	All Participants	Visit area beforehand if a new area & walk route, regularly maintain and update maps.
Equipment	Radios / Telephones Failure	All Participants and Staff	Ensure batteries are charged beforehand, carry spares / charger in vehicle.