

Risk Assessment – Simply Circus

Description

Simply Circus is a fun and engaging way to learn some new circus skills and share with your friends, including plate spinning, devil sticks, poi's, juggling and hula hooping.

Simply Circus is designed to:

- Inspire **confidence, creative expression, and physical coordination**
- Provide a **safe, inclusive space** for movement exploration
- Encourage **teamwork, laughter, and resilience** through play
- Introduce students to a wide variety of **circus arts** in a dynamic, rotating format
- Offer a **positive outlet** for kinetic learners, active minds, and sensory-rich individuals

Hazard	Risk	Control Measures
Personal Safety	L	A calm and welcoming environment on the floor of the hall. Participants to listen quietly to instructions. All circus equipment will be laid out ready for display and presentation. Risks to each activity station will be outlined as per below in safety brief.
Group Management	L	The instructor is responsible for conducting the workshop and teaching circus skills. The assisting adults/ teachers with the group are responsible for group supervision and behaviour management -to and from the activity, while waiting or while not directly engaged in the activity.
Diablo Rope burns, striking self/others	L	Instruction on proper use; wide space per person
Juggling Struck in face, tripping on dropped props	L	Safety spacing; soft equipment; trained instruction
Devil Sticks Eye/face injury, tripping	L	Safety briefing; long hair tied; supervised use

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Bubble Workshop Slipping, solution ingestion	L	Bubble zone marked; shoes on; solution non-toxic
Poi Twisting arms, collisions, tangling	L	Individual demos; use of soft, fabric poi for youth
Hula Hooping Impact to body, crowding	L	2m spacing; clear boundaries; warm-ups encouraged
Fire toy display (optional) Burns, fuel hazard, smoke	M	Trained staff/volunteers only Separate demo zone; fireproof clothing; extinguisher on hand
Fire & Evacuation	L	Fire and Evacuations plans will be followed in the event of a fire. Firefighting equipment is installed in the halls.
Inclusivity Adaptations		Circus Skills is an inclusive activity. It can be run in almost any area of camp depending on specific needs.

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