



## THE NEST SESSIONS RISK ASSESSMENT (RA)

Name of Group Organiser completing RA: Emma Paul

Car Parking	Y	Volunteers/ Staff in Session	Y	Working with the horse	Y
Waiting	N	Equipment (preparation and use)	Y	Clothing (volunteer/participant)	Y
Mounting	N	Tack (preparation and use)	N	Non-Equine Animals at Venue	Y
Dismounting	N	Mobile Phones	N	Hazardous Materials	N
Weather Conditions	Y	Falls and Other Injuries	Y	Contagious Diseases	N
Hoists	N	Lone Working	N	Emergency Procedures	Y
Arena Used	N	Horse	Y	Using tools, gardening/ cooking	Y
Tracks and Fields	N	Rider: Horse Combinations	N		

Signature: Emma Paul

Date: 01.09.25

What are the hazards?	Who might be harmed and how?	Control measures	Additional control measures (if required)	Action by whom?	Action by when?	Done
Moving vehicles	Participants, staff, horses may be injured by accidental contact due to moving vehicles.	Implement a reverse parking policy. 5MPH speed limit in car park. Appropriate lighting where necessary. Staff briefing to confirm local car park rules eg reverse parking policy.	N/A	Emma/ Nat	IMM	
Adverse weather conditions	Participants, staff, horses, mop. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Falling branches due to high winds.</li> <li>Hypothermia due to low temperatures</li> <li>Slips, trips and falls due to wet, slippery ground.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prohibit all staff and student outdoor activities.</li> <li>Restrict time spent outside for staff and students, ensure warm, waterproof clothing is worn.</li> <li>Ensure staff and students wear appropriate footwear, walkways and paths maintained.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Temporary mesh paths to cover grass, creating dedicated walkways of non-slip construction.</li> </ul>	Emma/ Nat	IMM	
Potential abuse or misconduct from staff.	Students due to inappropriate behaviour by a staff member.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All staff DBS checked.</li> <li>All staff safeguarding trained.</li> <li>DSL on site.</li> </ul>	Regular training updates.	Emma/ Nat	IMM	
People, plant, vehicle interaction.	Staff, students, mop. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Staff, students, mop coming into accidental contact with plant and vehicles operating on site.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adherence to local speed limits.</li> <li>Regular plant and vehicle safety briefing.</li> <li>Minimising plant and vehicle movements during busy times.</li> <li>Authorised personnel only to operate plant and vehicles on site.</li> <li>No keys to be left in vehicles.</li> <li>Vehicle and plant lights to be on and maintained.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Installation of segregated walkways</li> </ul>	Emma/ Nat	IMM	

Injury by horse	<p>Staff, students, mop.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kicked, crushed, bitten or stood on by horse.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All staff to complete green card training to work with horse.</li> <li>Safety briefing to staff, students and mop.</li> <li>Staff and students to wear appropriate footwear for working with horses.</li> <li>Students to wear riding hats when working with horse.</li> </ul>		Emma/ Nat	IMM	
Injury by dog.	<p>Staff, students, mop.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bitten or scratched by dog</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Only work with dog approved by Education Manager or Yard Manager.</li> <li>Safety briefing to staff, students and mop.</li> <li>Dog faeces to be disposed of by adult immediately.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dog to wear a muzzle if needed</li> </ul>	Emma/ Nat	IMM	
Fire	<p>Staff, students, mop</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Death or injury.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fire risk assessment.</li> <li>No smoking policy.</li> <li>Maintained fire extinguishers.</li> <li>Correct storage of flammable materials.</li> <li>Regular fire drills.</li> <li>Maintained fire escape routes.</li> <li>Fire emergency plan.</li> </ul>		Emma / Nat/ Nigel	IMM	
Injury from equipment and tools	<p>Staff, students, mop</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Injury due to incorrect use of equipment or tools.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minimise use of tools by staff and students.</li> <li>Safety briefing on correct use of tools and equipment.</li> <li>Safety checks of tools and equipment to ensure in good working order.</li> <li>PAT testing of electrical equipment.</li> <li>PPE to be worn as appropriate.</li> </ul>		Emma	IMM	