

THE ROCK POOL PROJECT RISK ASSESSMENT RECORD



Description of Task : Mobile Rock Pool and Beach Activity

Risk Assessor(s) :

Date of activity:

Location: _____ **Signed:** _____

Date: _____

Activity/Task	Hazard	Staff	Rating (after safety measures have been put into place)			Controls in Place
			Hazard (1, 2 or 3)	Likelihood (1, 2 or 3)	Risk (H x L)	
Moving around displays	Slippery floor/ slips and trips	All				Provide guidance on moving safely around display areas etc. No running in demonstration areas, make all aware of hazards; ensure walkways and front of stand are clear of all equipment.
Handling decomposing seaweed	Minor illness	All				Provide hand washing facilities and instructions to wash hands before eating.
Set up and take down stand	Lifting heavy objects	Rock Pool Project staff				All to be made aware of risk. Leave plenty of time for set up and take down. Use trolleys and wheeled boxes if significant distances must be travelled carrying equipment etc. Treat casualty at site (First aid) if any doubt call ambulance.
	Slips, trips and falls	Rock Pool Project staff				All to be made aware of risk. Leave plenty of time for set up and take down. Treat casualty at site (First aid) if any doubt call ambulance.
	Traffic movements	Rock Pool Project staff				All to be made aware of risk and reminded to be vigilant on the day. Treat casualty at site (First aid) if any doubt call ambulance.
Bites and pinches from animals	Minor injury	Rock Pool Project staff				Children allowed to touch animals under close supervision from Rock Pool Project staff. Minimise stress to the animals by reducing noise and using slow steady movement. If any incident occurs, inspect injury and apply first aid if necessary.
Access to and from the shore	Slipping, tripping	All				Investigate access points and potential hazards in advance of arrival. Wear appropriate footwear. Take note of warning signs in area.
Walking across intertidal rock habitat carrying survey equipment	Slipping, tripping	All				Wear appropriate footwear. Carry any equipment in rucksacks where possible to leave hands free. Avoid walking on patches of algae where possible.
Rock Pooling	Waves	All				Do not work with your back to the sea if possible.

Rock Pooling	Tide	All				Plan survey around low tides. Be aware of potential cut-off points to prevent stranding. Take note of alternative access points off the survey site.
Rock Pooling	Weather	All				If weather conditions deteriorate, assess if it is safe to continue the survey and stop working if rain or wind conditions interfere with safe working.
Rock Pooling	Equipment – injury	All				Ensure mobile rock pool equipment is arranged correctly and not left as a trip hazard