Eaton Vale Scout and Guide Activity Centre

Risk Assessment



Pedal Go Karting

Location

This activity takes place on a purpose-built track or at suitable times on the car park and road of the centre.

The go-karts are simple pedal powered vehicles with adjustable seats. The range of adjustment enables the karts to cope with children of average size for age 7 to adults. Helmets are provided.

<u>Health & Hygiene</u>
The go-karts can be very strenuous particularly if pedalled in a competitive manner. Clothing suitable for the weather conditions and the activity should be worn, footwear that is firmly on the foot is essential, trainers that are laced up are ideal but flip flops are not suitable.

Hazard	Hazard Effect	Risk Control Measures
Impact with go-kart, run over.	Impact injury, minor to severe.	Group leaders to ensure that pedestrians keep off the track. Drivers to be careful and sensible in the pit stop area. Active and firm group control.
Roll over: caused by either the driver applying the brake on a tight turn or going to fast around the corner	Grazing or skin abrasion, broken bones.	Active and firm group control.
Slips and Trips: over the tyres around the area.	Grazing or skin abrasion, broken bones.	Group leaders to ensure that participants are not jumping over and around tyres. Group leader to ensure that they have active and firm group control.
Poor instruction & leadership.	Dangerous or irresponsible activity that could result in injury from impact with or by a go-kart.	Active and responsible group control. Centre staff undertakes site specific training. Running the activity on the centre car park and road is supervised by centre staff only. (Road and car park closed to all traffic). Continuous observations by Centre management and feedback from user groups.
Shoelaces caught in pedals.	Constriction of foot, strain.	Shoelaces properly done up.
Dangerous activity: driving against direction of travel, bumping.	Impact injury, minor to severe.	Active and firm group control.

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