

Risk Assessment – Staying in hut or cottage

Hazard	Who might be harmed?	Control Measures
Fire & stoves etc	All involved	<p>No smoking in hut</p> <p>Ensure exits are clear</p> <p>Explorers / Scouts to only use stoves in kitchen after instruction, & with leaders supervision</p> <p>Wood burning stove to be supervised</p> <p>Careful storage of inflammables.</p> <p>First aid - cold water available.</p> <p>Where possible fire fighting equipment should be available.</p>
Scalds & burns from cooking	All involved	<p>Leader supervision of cooking</p> <p>Explorers / Scouts only to use stoves after instruction.</p> <p>First aid - cold water available.</p> <p>Supervised use of hot liquids.</p> <p>Warn Explorers / Scouts of residual heat in equipment.</p>
Food poisoning	All involved	<p>Ensure adequate clean drinking water supply.</p> <p>Ensure food is cooked thoroughly.</p> <p>Ensure food is stored safely especially in hot weather.</p> <p>Ensure clean equipment, facilities & hand washing.</p> <p>Ensure food is in date</p>
Hunger, tiredness etc.	Explorers / Scouts	<p>Ensure Explorers / Scouts eat enough.</p> <p>Ensure Explorers / Scouts get adequate sleep.</p>
Infections / Hygiene	All involved	<p>Ensure suitable toilet provision.</p> <p>Ensure suitable washing facilities.</p>

Danger from member of the public.

Explorers / Scouts

Explorers / Scouts instructed to stay in groups.

Explorers / Scouts not to go off alone.

Leaders to know where Explorers / Scouts are.

Explorers / Scouts to know where leaders are.

Supervision by Leaders

General

All involved

Know local conditions, weather, etc.

First aid available.

Leaders to have working knowledge of first aid.

Ongoing risk assessments to be made throughout.

Clear boundaries set for Explorers / Scouts.

Child protection guidelines to be followed at all times.

Leaders supervision to agreed

Group details & emergency contacts available.

Emergency procedures understood by all leaders

Date of Assessment

Signature

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