

**RISK ASSESSMENT**

**Information of Activity : WETLANDS Breakfast with the Birds.**

Site: Wildlife Habitat Location: Wetlands Habitat Area

Identified by: Sybella Salter, Assistant General Manager Date: 05 June 2024

Identified Hazard / Task: Wetlands Talks / Breakfast with the Birds

**Risk Analysis – level of risk**

Identified Hazards	Risk Assessment			Risk Score E x L x C	Risk Level
	Exposure (E)	Likelihood (L)	Consequence (C)		
Physical Strains & Sprains	1	0.3	2	1.0	L
Tip/Fall Hazard	3	0.3	5	4.5	M
Animal Feeding/ Interaction Breakfast.	6	0.3	2	1.0	L
Falling branches/tree limbs from above.	2	0.1	10	2.0	L
Child falling into Wetlands waterway.	2	0.3	10	6.0	M
Food allergies :	3	0.3	5	4.5	M

Definitions							
Exposure	E	Likelihood	L	Consequence	C	Risk Score	Hierarchy of Risk Controls
Continuously	10	Almost Certain	1.0	Catastrophic	20	<b>E</b> >20 <b>H</b> >10 <b>M</b> 3 – 10	<b>Elimination</b> is a permanent solution and should be attempted in the first instance. <b>Substitution</b> involves replacing the hazard or environmental aspect by one of the lower risk. <b>Engineering</b> controls involve physical barriers or structural changes to the environment or process. <b>Administration</b> controls reduce hazard by altering procedures and providing instructions. <b>Personal protective equipment</b> last resort or temporary control.
Frequently	6	Likely	0.6	Major	10		
Occasionally	3	Possible	0.3	Moderate	5	<b>L</b> <3	
Infrequently	2	Unlikely	0.1	Minor	2		
Rarely	1	Rare	0.05	Insignificant	1		

## LEGEND

E: extreme/significant risk; immediate action required; must be managed by senior management with a detailed plan, notify RMO immediately.

H: high risk; senior management attention needed; detailed research and management planning at senior levels.

M: moderate risk; management responsibility must be specified; manage by specific monitoring or response procedures.

L: low risk; manage by routine procedures; unlikely to need specific allocation of resources

## Details of Action to be Taken

Actions: (When determining action, refer to Hierarchy of Risk Control.)

**Dietary Requirement/ Allergies:** Perceived risk minimised by participants being asked about any dietary allergies prior to joining the program and these allergies being documented and provided to Kitchen on day of visit. Serious allergies require EPI pen to be carried.

**Physical Strains & Sprains** – Perceived risks minimised by participants given clear instructions of the importance of staying on the designated track and following directions given by leader upon entering the habitats / enclosures/ tours, wearing the appropriate PPE (enclosed shoes), following clear instruction / signage, staying to pathways and following directions of park signage.

**Animal Feeding: Birds and koalas** –: To be done only under constant supervision of qualified animal handler. Perceived risk minimised by participants being under strict and direct supervision from staff at all times when feeding a bird or placing browse in Koala exhibit. Koalas unable to be handled by guest.

**Animal Feeding : Ducks** – Perceived risk minimised by participants being advised on a way to feed ducks, and following directions.

**Fenced water access “Ducks landing” platform** - Perceived risks minimised with area re alignment of fence line to incorporate closed off access and duck feed platform, following clear instruction / signage, staying to pathways and following directions of park signage and or tour leader.

**Trip/Fall Hazard – wetlands-** Perceived risks minimised by participants wearing the appropriate PPE (enclosed shoes), following clear instruction / signage, staying to pathways and following directions of park signage and or tour leader.


**Animal Handling** – To be done under constant supervision of qualified animal handler. Perceived risk minimised by participants being given clear directions on the correct way to handle animals and given demonstrations by qualified handler prior to handling any animals. Applicable to birds only at Breakfast with the Birds. No Koala Holding permitted.

**Falling branches/tree limbs** – Continual monitoring of the state of the canopy and tree limbs by various members of staff. Recommend a twice yearly (November- pre-wet season; and May post-wet season) assessment by professional arborist and cut at-risk tree limbs & branches.

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