

Minibeast Trackers – Risk Assessment guidelines

Department: N/A	Location: School grounds or public park
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1	Activity, Event, Function, Equipment Exhibit, Person(s), Premises to be assessed	Minibeasts
2	Relevant Standards, Laws and Guidelines	HSAWA 1974, MHSAWA 1999, Health & safety: Advice on legal duties and powers DfE 2012
3	Who or What is at risk?	Participating school children and staff.

	Hazard	How might People be Harmed or Property Damaged?	Control Measure
4	Child lost, stolen or strayed	Child separated from group or abducted by member of public.	Head count before and after session. Boundaries made clear to children before the session starts. Whistle to call group back together.
	Minibeast searching and handling	Infection	Children should be reminded not to put their fingers in their mouth, nose or eyes and should wash their hands afterwards.
	Minibeast searching and handling	Stings	Check your class has any allergies to insect stings. On rare occasions wasps' nest could be found under logs; if you do discover a nest please vacate that area immediately and report where the nest is.
	Litter/waste material	Contact with sharps/hazardous material when foraging	Accompanying adult to do sweep of the area before the activity starts.