

FOREST SCHOOL - LAWN PRIMARY SCHOOL

TOOLS - BIT AND BRACE RISK ASSESSMENT

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REVIEW DATE: Dec 2024

	HAZARD	PERSONS AT RISK	RATING (NO CONTROLS)	WHAT MEASURES NEED TO BE TAKEN AND BY WHO	RATING (WITH CONTROLS)
1	Transportation	Group & leaders	Medium	<p>Tool to be kept in toolbox/tool bag when not being used.</p> <p>Children to not travel with tool. Adult to get out and put away.</p> <p>Children to not pass tool to others - must be placed on the floor when finished (FS Leader).</p>	Low
2	Tool slipping when using	Group & leaders	Medium	<p>Bit to be kept sharp. FS leader to monitor regularly and replace when needed.</p> <p>Glove to be worn on non-tool hand (when holding wood).</p> <p>Group and adults to be taught how to use the tool correctly so that, if it slips, no contact will be made by any members of the group except the FS leader. (FS Leader)</p>	Low
3	Bit snapping	Group & leaders	Low	<p>The group will be informed of how a bit should look and that if a problem has occurred with a tool it should be reported immediately to the leader. The leader will decommission the tool (FS Leader)</p>	Low
4	Bit becoming stuck in wood	Group & leaders	Low	<p>Group to be made aware of what to do when the bit become stick in a piece of wood. FS leader/adult to be alerted to remove wood from bit.</p>	Low

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4	Injury	Group & leaders	Medium	<p>Groups and adults will know how to use the tool properly and how users should be positioned when using.</p> <p>Glove to only be worn on non-tool hand, when holding wood.</p> <p>Wood to not be picked up from working area until tool is safely away from area.</p> <p>Use first aid policy if injury occurs. (FS Leader)</p>	Low
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Risk benefit: Being able to use tools safely and take appropriate risks. Develop motor skills.

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