

**RISK ASSESSMENT**

**Information of Activity SAVANNAH : Croc Zone.**

Site: Wildlife Habitat Location: Croc Arena / Predator Plank

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Identified Hazard / Task: Croc Arena tours and experiences.

**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	2	0.3	2	1.2	L
Tip/Fall Hazard	3	0.3	5	4.5	M
Falling branches/tree limbs from above.	2	0.1	10	2.0	L
Predator pathway walk/ Croc Arena Grandstand	3	0.3	2	1.8	L
Croc Arena Swim	3	0.3	5	4.5	M
MOP Croc feed / Animal Feed Interaction.	3	0.3	10	9	M

**Definitions**

Exposure E	Likelihood L	Consequence C	Risk Score	Hierarchy of Risk Controls
Continuously 10	Almost Certain 1.0	Catastrophic 20	E >20 H >10 M 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	L <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.)

**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 staff 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/ tour leader/ staff member.

**Trip/Fall Hazard – Predator pathway Walk** - 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/ staff member, ongoing assessment and maintenance of boardwalk area and netting bridge. Signage placed at all entrances to area's outlining restrictions.

**Falling branches/tree limbs from above** – Perceived risks minimised by scheduled monitoring canopy and tree limbs. Recommend a twice yearly (November- pre-wet season; and May post-wet season) assessment by professional arborist and cut at-risk tree limbs & branches.

**Trip / Fall Hazard Croc Arena Grandstand**- Perceived risks minimised by participants wearing the appropriate PPE (enclosed shoes), following clear instruction / signage, staying to pathways, and following directions of park signage/ tour leader. Signage placed at all entrances to area's outlining restrictions.

**Plunge pool swim Croc arena** - Perceived risks minimised by participants wearing the appropriate swim wear / float device if required, following clear instruction, including depth level notification, and will be under constant visual supervision of a staff member. Participants must agree they are physically able to participate in a plunge swim. Participants need to follow clear signage, need to be staying to pathways and designated swim area, and following directions of park signage/ tour leader/ and waiver compliance conditions. Signage placed at all entrances to area's outlining restrictions. First aid Trauma kit is located at the changeroom area of the swim pavilion.

**MOP Croc Feed Predator Plank** - Perceived risks minimised by participants wearing appropriate PPE for hands and feet, following clear instruction, including managing bite force pull, and will be under constant visual supervision. Demonstration on Croc feeding by qualified staff member undertaken. Ensure feed zone area is maintained and safe for the experience at all times and area is secured for no additional persons to enter the zone during feed. Participants must agree they are physically able to participate in the feed. Participants need to follow clear signage, need to be staying to pathways and designated areas, and following directions of park signage/ tour leader/ sign waiver compliance conditions. Signage placed at all entrances to area's outlining restrictions. First aid Trauma kit is located at the changeroom area of the swim pavilion at CrocArena for this experience.

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Date: 5 June 2024 Authorised by:

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