

## Russell Society Risk Assessment

ASSESSMENT DATE		BRANCH	ACTIVITY LOCATION & DATE	
ASSESSED BY		REVIEWED BY	WHO IS AT RISK?	FIRST AID ARRANGEMENTS
<b>Hazard Potential for harm</b>	Risk Indicate as appropriate	Precautions to reduce the risk level		
Injury due to flying rock splinters from hammers, chisels	High Medium Low NA	Exercise caution, be aware of others around you, keep sufficient distance to avoid injury. Ensure tools are in good condition. Many sites require the use of eye protection & gloves. Follow the instructions of site personnel and Field Trip Leader re PPE.		
Trips and/or falls on rocks or slippery ground	High Medium Low NA	Individuals to choose route with care. Follow the instructions of any site personnel and Field Trip Leader re PPE.		
Hazard escalation as no supervision or assistance immediately to hand	High Medium Low NA	Ensure always within eyesight/earshot of at least one other member of the party at all times to provide mutual H&S risk supervision, support and assistance. Leader to count number in and out to ensure all are accounted for.		
Sun burn / hypothermia /hyperthermia	High Medium Low NA	Be aware of weather forecast. Members to wear sun block if they consider it appropriate. Wear/take suitable clothing to protect from weather conditions. Take survival bag/sheet if appropriate. Take food/drink needed for visit, and emergency rations as appropriate.		
Rock movement from unstable rock piles or slopes.	High Medium Low NA	Take care when walking about on rock piles. Take care to avoid dislodging material. Do not work above or below anyone on a slope. When a quarry representative or 'competent person' who can assess that it is safe to approach a pile is present, follow their instructions. Follow the instructions of site personnel and Field Trip Leader re PPE.		
Rock fall from unstable rock faces (eg quarry face or cliff)	High Medium Low NA	When a quarry representative or 'competent person' who can assess that it is safe to approach a face is present, follow their instructions. This hazard is greatly increased by rain. When approaching a rock face inspect it carefully for loose overhead rock. Maintain a sensible distance from rock faces, following the instructions of site personnel. Follow the instructions of site personnel and Field Trip Leader re PPE.		
Falling over quarry face or cliff.	High Medium Low NA	Keep a safe distance from the top and bottom of the cliffs while collecting. Stay within any quarry edge protection. Never pass a crack or fissure in the ground as this indicates an unstable rock face.		
Movement of quarry machinery/ vehicles	High Medium Low NA	Follow the instructions of site personnel and Field Trip Leader re PPE. Use pedestrian routes where provided. Keep clear of plant and equipment. Be vigilant re the proximity of plant and its actions. Ensure driver/operator of plant/vehicle is aware of your presence. Only pass mobile plant when operator has indicated that it is safe to do so. Do not pass within the slewing radius of excavation plant.		
Trapped by water or mud, in drainage sump, sludge pit, or pool.	High Medium Low NA	Keep away from lagoons which may contain semi-liquid material under a thin unstable crust. Keep away from areas which are flooded and where there is uncertainty as to the depth of water.		
Electric shock	High Medium Low NA	Keep well clear of all cables and distribution boards / switchgear.		
Falls down mine shafts	High Medium Low NA	Members to keep away from all shafts even if they are fenced off. Be careful of hidden mine shafts in long grass, scrub etc.,		
Trapped by the tide	High Medium Low NA	Know tide times before going on to the beach to collect. Visits are best made on a falling tide. Make sure there is plenty of time to get off the beach before high tide, especially if passing a headland/sandbank that is cut off by a rising tide.		
Other	High Medium Low			
<u>Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)</u> hard hat, safety footwear; high-viz top; hi-viz trousers; eye protection; and gloves (delete as appropriate)		<u>Provided By:</u>  The individual	<u>Level of First Aid Provision Needed</u> (eg due to proximity to provision)	
<u>Nearest Telephone</u>			Mobile phone/Radio used for summoning help    Yes/No <u>Nearest 24 hour Hospital and / or Doctor</u>	

(To be kept by the Branch for one year)