

Coastal Wildlife Walk

Location:	East Lothian coast - between the Scottish Seabird Centre and Haugh Road Beach		
Topic:	Wildlife Walk		
Training requirements:	First Aid Training—Group Lead		
PPE:	N/A— Participants are responsible for bringing appropriate clothing		
Completed by:	Emily Burton	Date:	27.11.2020

Hazards	Likelihood	Severity	Controls	Comments
Slipping, tripping & falling	2	3	Participants encouraged to wear appropriate footwear (e.g. wellies, walking boots, trainers with good grip). Caution will be taken when walking on slippery rocks. Verbal warning if surfaces are particularly slippery/hazardous.	
Hypothermia	1	4	Participants encouraged to bring suitable clothing for the weather before the event. (e.g. extra layers, waterproofs). Group will be monitored by event lead (First Aider). Walk element will be cut short/cancelled if conditions deemed too severe.	Most likely in Winter months
Over heating / sun stroke	1	4	Participants asked to bring suitable clothing/equipment before the event (e.g. sun hut, water). Group will be monitored by event lead (First Aider). Event will be cancelled if conditions too dangerous.	Most likely in Summer months
Germs & infections (i.e. sickness and/or diarrhoea from ingesting germs and infections)	1	4	Verbal warning given to participants not to touch litter/marine debris. Participants asked to wash hands after event.	Medical issues for any participants to be made known at the start of the event
Allergic reaction (e.g. shellfish)	1	5	Medical issues for any participants to be made known to First Aider at the start of the event. Participant to carry medication with them at all times and make known to First Aider.	
Traffic collision or related injury	1	5	Participants given a verbal warning before crossing/walking on the road.	
Drowning/strong tides	1	5	Participants given a verbal warning not to enter the sea. Group to be kept away from water above welly height. Tide tides to be checked before event.	

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Sharp or hazardous objects	1	3	Participants given a verbal warning not to touch litter/ sharp objects.	
Participants becoming lost	1	2	Participants asked to stay together as a group and bring a mobile phone. Scottish Seabird Centre within sight at all times.	Reduced risk as participants all over the age of 18 or accompanied by a responsible adult.
Falling from heights	1	5	Participants must stay back from steep drops at all times. Safety briefing given before work begins.	Only possible at 1 location during the walk
Injury from golf ball/ club	1	4	Participants given verbal warning when walking on a path which borders a golf course. All encouraged to look out for golfers nearby and inform the group.	Risk only when diverting from the beach.

How will the controls within this document be communicated?	Verbal warning by event lead (Emily Burton) before event begins. Risk assessment available during booking process.
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Not likely	1
Not severe	
Likely	5
Severe	