

Assessment of:	Join the Roman Legion and Dress the Roman Soldier	Location:	Mount Cook
Completed by:	Molly Ojari	Date of assessment:	December 2023
Reviewed by:	James Clarke	Next Review Date:	February 2026
Ratio:	1:12 Max and Min 1 Group Leader	Staff Competencies	Must have suitable group management experience and been inducted and signed off for session.
Activities covered:	Dress the Roman Soldier, Roman Military Drill Formation, Catapult Building and Shooting, Replica Weapon handling.		

Hazard <i>(something with potential to cause harm)</i>	Risk <i>(How could hazard cause harm and to whom)</i>	Control Measures <i>(What is required to reduce risk)</i>	In place <i>(Y/N)</i>	Action Required	Action Owner	Residual Risk <i>(low / medium / high)</i>
Handling replica weapons; swords, daggers, javelins and spears.	Participants and Staff: Cuts, bruises and lacerations.	Instructor safety briefing. Handling of items monitored. Replica weapons handled have dulled edges and points. Weapons not left unattended and securely stored when not in use	Y	Instructor to monitor weaponry handling. Ensure only blunt, unsharpened items are used.	Activity Staff Activities Mgr	LOW
Wearing chainmail and armor	Participants: Bruising, lifting, twisting, crushing, head injury.	Instructor safety briefing. Fitting armour and roman items of dress done in pairs and supervised by instructor. Heavy items assisted by instructor when required.	Y	Clear briefing by Instructor	Activity Staff	LOW

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		Individuals wearing full armour monitored for signs of fatigue				
Heavy/Awkward lifting	Participants and Staff: Lifting and twisting, crushing injuries, head injury, eye injury.	Full safety brief from activity staff, Instruction on correct handling and lifting techniques. Increased ratio for lifting big items Use only of handles when applicable	Y	Clear safety briefing by Instructor	Activity staff	LOW
Shooting Catapults	Participants and Staff: Hit by flying object, cuts, bruising, head injury, eye injury.	Full safety brief from activity staff on correct safe use of catapult prior to use. Catapults only to be fired under adult supervision Only Instructor pre-approved objects to be loaded into the catapults. All participants positioned behind the catapults, out of direct range when in use. Catapults safety checked by instructor prior to use.	Y	Clear safety brief by Instructor.	Activity staff	LOW
Wooden Shields and Swords	Participants: Bruising, crush injuries, cuts, splinters, head injury, eye injury.	Instructor safety briefing and supervision of use. Equipment checked before each session. Any damaged items removed from use and reported.	Y	Pre- session check of equipment. Monitor weather conditions.	Activity Staff	LOW

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		Monitor weather conditions for strong winds- adapt using shields and formations accordingly. Swords only to be used on the designated posts.				
Slips, Trips and Falls on route to site	Participants and staff: Breaks, Twists, Falls, Sprains	Close leader supervision during activities and rest periods. Suitable footwear will be worn by participants. Activity site checked by Mount Cook staff before all sessions and hazards cleared	Y	Briefing by activity instructor	Activity Staff and Participants	LOW

Risk Assessment Checked by H&S or Line manager.

Name: Steve Turner CEO

Reviewed on: 5/2/2025



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