

Equipment

Pioneering poles up to 3 metre long

Lashing ropes

Ropes 50mm dia 30 metres long

Steaks for ground anchors

Assorted ropes and sisal

Check equipment against this at the start and end of your session and report anything missing or broken.

Leader requirements:

One competent person must take overall charge of the activity and ensure the equipment is in good order and used in a safe manner.

Guide to use of equipment:

The Leader in charge needs to draw on his/her knowledge and other sources to decide what to build. Knowledge of lashings; knots; ground anchor systems is required.

Guide to risk for your risk assessment:

Close supervision is required as poles are heavy and team work is needed to move them. Risk of broken toes if dropped.

Constructions must be checked before people climb on them

Lashings must be inspected to ensure they are secure

Ground anchors must be inspected and tested

Stability and security of all components must be monitored during use

Constructions must be made safe and barriered off with 'keep off' signs if left unattended