



Risk Assessment – School visits to Carr House farm Ltd

Date of visit:

School Teacher:

Number students:

Age group:

Time of arrival/ departure:

Route/Activities:

Address - Carr House farm, Foston on the wolds, Driffield, YO25 8BS

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Hazard	People harmed/how	Risk control	Further action
Infection and zoonosis	All – from touching fences/gates, animals, contamination of boots	Safety talk at start of visits. Choice of routes to avoid faeces where possible Hand washing after animal contact and before eating. Warm running water, soap and paper towels provided by farm. Boot and hand washing at end of tour. Pregnant ladies warned of risks on booking. Facilities checked on pre-visit. Pre visit discussion with group leader re risks on farm and role of staff in supervising hand washing Cuts on hands to be covered with a plaster	Supervision



Farm vehicles and machinery	All – physical injury struck by moving vehicles or machinery	Do not carry out vehicle movements during visits. Visitors cars/ coach parked in designated area Careful choice of routes Host venue to warn drivers/operators of machines about visiting group	Supervision
Injury from livestock, kicks, bites, crush etc	All	No visitors in animal pens. Farmer will guide as to appropriate livestock for contact. Briefing on how to handle/touch animals.	Briefing Supervision
Uneven ground - Slips and trips on farm tour	All – slips, trips and fall	Safety briefing Choice of safe route around farm. Signage and cordon off unsafe areas. Suitable clothes advised when booking and discussed in pre-visit Check group are fully mobile and able to walk the route	Supervision
Electric fences	All – electric shock from fence	If route goes near an electric fence it will be turned off.	Briefing
Hazards in farmyard – materials, machinery and equipment not part of tour	All	Avoid route being nearby if possible Group advised to stay together and not touch anything not part of guided tour	Briefing and supervision
Handling natural materials: Infection and illness (including EColi 0157) Cuts, scratches and stings from plants/wildlife. Injury caused by larger sticks and branches		Avoid transmission of infection from hand to mouth. Wash hands after activity. Cuts covered with a plaster. Wash hands thoroughly before eating. Careful choice of routes around farm	Briefing of participants
Allergies		Teacher/group leader should be aware of allergies	Discuss on pre-visit
Hazards associated with activities and equipment (scissors, soil testing etc)	All	Briefing of group Suitable equipment Hands on activities run separately Hazards associated with display boards/banners Purpose built equipment. Careful siting and set up	Supervision Review during event



Food poisoning from cooking activities	All	Leader has level 2 food hygiene cert. Strict hygiene measures followed.	Supervision
Inclement weather		All Alternative routes and programmes discussed on pre-visit. Appropriate clothing	
Water Courses- risk of drowning Risk of infection from water	All	Check route on pre visit. Safety briefing. Pond dipping etc using suitable sites. Hand washing after activities, cuts covered. Safety briefing	Supervision Supervision
Student behaviour	All	Host farmer will stop visit if behaviour deemed unsafe.	Supervision and group management
Lost People	Students/teachers	Meeting place designated on pre-visit, usually the classroom	Supervision
Hazards in areas of farm not part of tour (grain stores, Mill (when running, chemical stores etc)		All Group must stay with leader. Red and white tape across areas not to be accessed Other no access area locked.	Supervision
Child protection	All	Host farmer has current DBS and child protection policy for visits. LADO for county is contacted at LADO@eastriding.gov.uk School to ensure appropriate staff/student ratio	
Manure and compost heap	All – contamination with manure	Prevent access. Supervision. Signage. Supervised handwashing.	Supervision
Static machinery (tractors, ATV, etc)	Visitors – climbing on and playing with machinery displays. Injury from fall or contact with spikes	Static machinery to be fully supervised. Keys removed. Remove/protect sharp edges. Park machinery safely – lift trucks/loaders on floor.	Supervision and group management
Farm pets – dogs and cats	Visitors – bites, scratches, toxoplasmosis from petting	Keep pets indoors away from visitors	
Fuel storage tank	Visitors – personal contamination, fumes, burns	Keep fuel tank locked. Prevent access (remove ladder)	Supervision



Flora and fauna	Visitors on farm walk/nature trail – ingestion on poisonous fruits and berries etc. nettle stings, scratches. Bee/wasp stings. Tick bites/lyme disease	Check routes beforehand. Supervision. Warn visitors before hand. Avoid known hazards. Check allergies before visit. Long trousers/sleeves advised.	Supervision and briefing
Electrical equipment – saw benches/plant equipment	Visitors – physical injury from contact	Equipment stored and locked away. Restrict access. Ensure safety guards in place and disconnected from supply when not in use	supervision
Pond for dipping	Visitors – drowning, slips, falls, cuts, grazes	Supervision. Avoid deep water/fast flowing water. Safe access point to prevent falling in. hand washing supervision	Supervision and briefing
Food, refreshments	Visitors	Designated eating areas where contact with animals is prevented. Wash hands thoroughly before eating/drinking. Children to be supervised by adults for hand wash	supervision