



Risk Management Plan

Risk Action Plan

The risk: Snakes

Detail of the risk event/scenario: Snake bites

RISK DRIVERS	Key drivers: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• High incidences of snake sightings in Armidale and preschool surrounds• Presence of venomous snakes in NSW• Excursions to external premises where snakes could be a risk
RISK RATING	MEDIUM
CONTROLS	Current controls in place: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Ensure that lawns and garden are maintained to allow for good visibility and discourage snakes.▪ Ensure no compost heaps and rubbish piles build up.▪ Ensure First aid trained staff on duty at all times▪ Ensure fully stocked first aid boxes on premises▪ Installation of snake repellents at the property boundary to discourage snake entry to the premises.▪ Routine daily checks of the perimeter and building.▪ Reptile safety talks/workshops delivered to children at the Service.▪ Snake safety documentation available to staff and families▪ Display of emergency contact numbers.▪ Assessment for snakes undertaken within all excursion risk assessments.
EFFECTIVENESS OF CONTROLS:	ADEQUATE
POTENTIAL ADDITIONAL CONTROLS:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ None identified
REASONS WHY ADDITIONAL CONTROLS ARE NOT YET IMPLEMENTED:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ n/a



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KEY RESPONSE MEASURES:

- Do not approach the snake
- Contact a snake catcher
- Clear all children and staff from the vicinity of the snake
- Administer First aid
- Contact emergency services (000)
- Contact Nominated Supervisor and Director if required
- Notify the Committee and parents as to the safety of children in care.
- Notify the regulatory authority within 24 hrs (if required)

RECOVERY MEASURES:

- Assess the need for, and arrange, counselling support if required.
- Replenish first aid kit (if required)
- Review the risk action plan for snake bites

ACTION ITEMS

ACTIVITY OWNER

DUE DATE

COMPLETION DATE

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| • Replace snake repellents | Director | 31/7/23 | |
| • Outdoor checks to include perimeter checks for snakes. | Educators | Ongoing | Ongoing |