



Sharing the best in Gardening

GENERAL RISK ASSESSMENT

RHS Form D1 (Revised) Issue No: 1 Dated: September 2011

(a) Title of Risk Assessment:	Poet-tree KS2	(b) Location:	RHS Garden Rosemoor						
		(c) Written by:	J. Hickson	(e) Date:	September 2012				
		(d) Signature:	<i>John Hickson</i>	(f) Review Date:	August 2013				
(g) Safety Code/s and other documents relevant to this risk assessment:		(h) List all staff involved in activity:	(i) Other Groups at risk: (Put a cross in Yes or No)						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Education 001 – School visits Education 004 – Craft activities Education 005 – Exploring the outdoors 		Education Officers – John Hickson – Sarah Chesters	Volunteers:	Yes:		No:	x		
			The public:		x				
			Visitors:		x				
			Contractors:				x		
			School Groups:		x				
			Students:				x		
(j) Sign to confirm all staff listed above have read the relevant Safety Code/s:		<i>Sarah Chesters / John Hickson</i>							
(k) Hazards:	(l) Precautions:					(m) Risk Rating		(n) Precaution in place? (Yes or No)	
	(Do not undertake activity until all precautions are in place.)					L	M	H	
Education Officer to carry Radio at all times									
Trip/falls/slipping on wet grass	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Education 005 – 2.0 Slips trips and falls. Children must be adequately supervised by accompanying adults and instructed to walk in the garden. RHS Education Officer to highlight this in Housekeeping and H&S at the beginning of the visit 					x			YES
Water - drowning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Education 005 – 2.0 Ponds, streams, fountains and other bodies of water. Activity does not place near large bodies of water other than small herb garden pond. Staff made aware of location. 							x	YES
Bees, wasps and insect stings g in Garden	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Education 005 – 2.0 Insect bites and stings. School staff must be aware of any in their group who have specific insect allergies and know how to deal with such emergencies. RHS Education Officer to highlight this in Housekeeping and H&S at the beginning of the visit 						x		YES
Touching and handling plants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Education 005 – 2.0 Hazardous plants. Accompanying staff must be aware of any children with specific plant allergies or hay fever, and carry the necessary medication. Children must wash their hands before eating. Children must not pick plants, only adults can under the direction of the Education Officer. 					x			YES

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Small groups working independently in formal garden, e.g. getting lost / abduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children instructed to stay in group at all times and remain in formal garden boundaries. Teachers and Education officer to patrol main paths so in close proximity to all groups Children given a signal to return to the Learning centre at end of session where they can be counted. 	x			YES

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