

## Example Risk Assessment

Activity: Cooking Marshmallows on a fire

Introduction:

Hazards:        Fire  
                  Pointy / sharp sticks (potentially burning)  
                  Hot marshmallows  
                  Sharp knife (potentially)  
                  Young People?

Who might be harmed:  
                  Young People  
                  Leaders / other volunteers  
                  Animals / local wildlife

How might they be harmed:  
                  Burning – from fire, Marshmallows  
                  Food poisoning  
                  Falling into fire  
                  Stick on fire  
                  Prodded by sharp stick / knife  
                  chocking

How are risks controlled?  
                  Don't do the Activity?  
                  Group supervision  
                  Turn neckers round / take off  
                  Clear instructions at the beginning & throughout  
                  Safe kneeling position  
                  Fire fighting / control measures – eg bucket of water  
                  First Aid Kit  
                  Bucket of water for treating burns  
                  Keep group sizes small, limit numbers round fire  
                  Sufficient adult supervision (number of leaders)  
                  Assign role of leader in charge

Record & Communication:  
                  Talking about fire  
                  Fire safety – if it goes in the fire it stays in the fire  
  
                  Record on OSM?  
                  Record on programme?  
                  Record via email?  
                  Typed up?

Potential changes to conditions:  
                  Wind changes (direction / speed)  
                  Rain