

LOPPERS RISK ASSESSMENT

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	HAZARD	PERSONS AT RISK	EXISTING PREVENTATIVE MEASURES	PROBABILITY (P) 1-5	SEVERITY (S) 1-5	RATING (P) X (S) 1-25	WHAT MEASURES NEED TO BE TAKEN	BY WHO/ confirmation of understanding or completion
1	Loppers transportation	The Group & Leaders	All loppers are kept in sheaths when not being used.	2	2	4	To ensure group have a full understanding on how to carry the tool correctly.	Forest School Leaders
2	Loppers slipping when using	The Group & Leaders	Tool maintenance kept sharp and useable. No gloves worn to prevent slipping.	2	4	8	To ensure group have a full understanding on how to position the tool correctly when using it, so if a slip occurs, it will not make contact with themselves or any member of the group.	Forest School Leaders
3	Loppers bouncing off	The Group & Leaders	Tool maintenance kept sharp and useable.	2	2	4	To ensure group have a full understanding on how to position the tool correctly. Knowing the tools capacity to prevent the tool failing to cut and bouncing off.	Forest School Leaders
4	Loppers snapping	The Group & Leaders	Regular and effective maintenance of tools.	1	3	3	The group should know that if a problem has occurred with a tool, it should be reported immediately to the leader. The leader will decommission the tool.	Forest School Leaders

RATING- The **probability** multiplied by the **severity** gives a figure from 1 to 25. Any hazard scoring above **12** will need to have immediate additional control measures put in place to prevent a serious incident.