

## Jubilee House, Girlguiding Oxfordshire

### Safe Use of the Assault Course/ Fixed Play Equipment.

Please follow the following instructions to ensure your group/ users are as safe as possible whilst also having fun; include its use in your own risk assessment.

Some of the equipment was made by volunteers, some is commercial, and all is checked regularly. **However, all users MUST check ALL the equipment prior to using, and follow the risk assessment. Check the area on the ground around each piece of equipment to ensure it is clear of rocks, logs and branches that could be trip hazards or lead to injury if someone falls on them.**

**When you have checked the equipment, please sign the sheet that is in the house or in the camp shelter. Any damaged apparatus must not be used, and please inform the Booking Secretary or Chair of the JH&CS committee as soon as possible.**

- Some of the assault course was removed in July 2024 as it was no longer safe, when funds allow, we will be looking to replace it.
- The equipment should not be used in wet weather as it will become too slippery to use safely; it may also be unsafe if windy as trees/ branches may fall.
- Ensure all users are wearing suitable clothing and especially footwear (eg trainers or walking boots). It is advised to tie long hair back (or wear a hat).
- Under 18-year-olds must have an adult supervisor.
- The up and over wall must be used by only 1 person at a time.



#### Tyres and wall:

- Check that the tyres are not worn (with metal protruding) and are stable.
- Check that the rope on the wall is secure and not frayed/ damaged.
- Check the spars/ frame are solid and not moving, and that the hand and footholds are secure (not loose), and that there are no protruding nails/ screws/ damaged ( that could lead to abrasions or wounding).



Traversing wall: check that the frame is secure and no hand/ foot holds are loose, and there are no protruding nails/ screws/ damaged wood.



#### Log swinging bridge, climbing net and monkey bars:

- Check the spars/ frame is secure and there are no protruding nails/ screws/ damaged wood.
- Check rope/ cables are not frayed or loose, and that fittings are secure and not rusty.



Stepping logs – ensure they are fixed in the ground, are level at the top and they are dry enough to step on without slipping.