



## SUBTERRANEA BRITANNICA SITE RISK ASSESSMENT

<b>Site Name:</b>		<b>Owner/contact:</b>	
<b>Location:</b>		<b>Compiled by:</b>	
		<b>Date</b>	

*This is an example template  
which should be adapted  
and modified to suit a  
particular site.*

RISK	DETAIL / ASSESSMENT	MITIGATION – <i>tick those you will apply; add others as required:-</i>
<b>Dark/ Lack of light</b> <i>Consider:</i> - any natural light - some lighting		<input type="checkbox"/> <i>All carrying a torch, with spares</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Headlamps to be used where available</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Electrical supply switched on</i>
<b>Floor uneven</b> <i>Consider:</i> - steps / drops - slippery / wet - trip hazards		<input type="checkbox"/> <i>All advised about state of floors, walkways and slopes</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>All advised to be very careful</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>All wearing suitable footwear</i>
<b>Entrance constrained</b> <i>Consider:</i> - drops, snags - head height - single/multiple exit		<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Guide at entrance and cautioning people;</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Count of those entering/leaving</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Special facilities in place to allow entrance/exit.</i>
<b>Headroom</b> <i>Consider:</i> - low ceilings - uneven ceilings - confined spaces		<input type="checkbox"/> <i>All parties with hard hats / caving helmets</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>People cautioned about low spaces</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Unfit people cautioned on suitability</i>
<b>Stability</b> <i>Consider:</i> - loose rock - loose fixtures/fittings - ladders/slopes		<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Everyone warned about state of site</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>People warned to avoid touching unsafe areas</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>People warned to avoid unsafe areas</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Safety line if necessary</i>



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<b>RISK</b>	<b>DETAIL / ASSESSMENT</b>	<b>MITIGATION</b>
<b>Heights &amp; Ladders</b> <i>Consider:</i> - safe ladder use		<input type="checkbox"/> <i>People educated in safe ladder technique</i>
<b>Air, Ventilation, Dust</b> <i>Consider:</i> - build up of noxious fumes / gases / dusts - oxygen supply		<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Wearing of masks advised for anyone with known respiratory problems.</i>
<b>Asbestos</b> <i>Consider:</i> - presence of asbestos containing materials - actions upon discovery		<input type="checkbox"/> <i>If any asbestos is encountered, group leader to be advised and all visitors to avoid</i>
<b>Water Hazards</b> <i>Consider:</i> - disease / toxin risks - depth of water		<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Advised of increased slip and trip hazards</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Wear appropriate footwear</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Keep a safe distance from deep water</i>
<b>Wildlife</b> <i>Consider:</i> - bat habitats - other animals e.g. rats		<input type="checkbox"/> <i>All advised to avoid interfering with wildlife habitats</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>All advised to wash hands thoroughly after the visit is completed</i>
<b>Fire &amp; Heat</b> <i>Consider:</i> - fuel sources - ignition sources - heat sources		<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Strictly no smoking or naked flames</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Advise on emergency fire procedures and evacuation</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Fire Brigade to be summoned via 999</i>
<b>General / other</b> <i>Consider:</i> - counting in and out - size, chance to get lost - machinery		<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Team briefing covering: Health &amp; Safety, Layout, Roles</i> <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Confirm emergency procedures e.g. evacuation</i>