

COPTHORNE CE JUNIOR SCHOOL – TOOL RISK ASSESSMENT FORM

WOODEN MALLET

Can be used alone or with a partner when splitting wood along the grain either with an axe, billhook or fixed blade knife. When being used alongside another tool or if being assisted by a partner for this purpose, please read this and other relevant tool risk assessments

SAFE WORKING USE / POSITION:

- Do not wear gloves whilst using tool
- If working with a partner, maintain good communication and only hit work piece when both are ready
- Ensure all participants understand that mallet only used for purpose specified (such as those noted above), or for knocking in stakes or tent pegs



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W O O D E N M A L L E T

<u>Assessed by:</u> Jeff Turner				<u>Date:</u> September 2020 <u>Next Assessment Due:</u> Sept. 2021			
Type of Hazard	Likelihood of Occurrence	Hazard Severity	Risk Factor	Action to be taken to reduce risk	New Likelihood of Occurrence	New Hazard Severity	New Risk Factor
Injury sustained during transportation	2	1	2	Tools to be transported securely within tool bag or box	1	1	1
Injury sustained during use as aid for splitting wood with knife or billhook	2	2	4	Do not wear gloves whilst using tool. If working with a partner, maintain good communication and only hit work piece when both are ready	1	2	2
Injury sustained during other use	2	2	4	Ensure all participants understand that mallet only used for purpose specified above, or for knocking in stakes or tent pegs.	1	2	2
Injury caused by using damaged or broken tool	1	1	1	Group leader to inspect tools at each session. Any defective tool to be discarded	1	1	1

No activity may be carried out where there is an individual Risk Factor of 10 or above.