

Captivating Creatures Animal Risk Assessment - dated: 23/02/2022.

Section 1 - Animal Handling

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Animal	Hazard	Individual at risk	Level of risk	Control Measures	Who is responsible
Millipede (Olive Chocolate Giant African)	Potential secretion of fluid harmful to eyes or if ingested including likelihood of staining of hands.	Audience and Ranger	Low	The Ranger will instruct and supervise the audience on how to handle the millipede correctly; any secretion will be washed off immediately. The audience will be advised not to touch mouth or eyes until hands have been washed in warm soapy water.	Ranger
	Escape	J.		The millipede will be kept in a secure enclosure and will be supervised at all times by the Ranger. Only the Ranger is allowed to remove the millipede from its enclosure.	
Forest Scorpion	Nips/Stings	Audience and Ranger	Low	Scorpion's behaviour will be assessed before handling session commences if the scorpion is displaying aggressive behaviour the scorpion will not be handled. Only scorpions that are not highly venomous are used. In the event of nips/sting the Ranger will secure the	Ranger

	Escape			animal immediately and medical attention will be given to the individual injured. Incident to be logged in accident book. The scorpion will be kept in a secure enclosure and will be supervised at all times by the Ranger. Only the Ranger is allowed to remove the scorpion from its	
				enclosure.	
Hissing Cockroach	Escape	Audience	Low	The cockroach will be kept in a secure enclosure and will be supervised at all times by the Ranger. Only the ranger is to remove the cockroach from its enclosure.	Ranger
Sun Beetles	Escape	Audience	Low	The sun beetles will be kept in a secure enclosure and will be supervised at all times by the Ranger. Only the ranger is to remove the sun beetle from its enclosure.	Ranger
Giant African Land Snail	Escape	Audience	Low	The African Land Snails will be kept in a secure enclosure and will be supervised at all times by the Ranger. Only the Ranger is to remove the African land snail from its enclosure.	Ranger
	Wet hands	Animal/Audience		Audience will require hands to be misted before holding, as the snail requires a wet surface.	
Golden Tree Frog	Escape	Audience	Low	The golden tree frog will be kept in a secure enclosure and will be supervised at all times by the Ranger. Only the Ranger is to remove the frog from its enclosure.	Ranger
	Wet hands	Animal/Audience		Audience will require hands to be misted before holding, as the frog has delicate skin and can absorb toxins from being handled and requires wet hands to prevent damage to the frogs skin.	
Spiny Stick Insect	Escape	Audience	Low	The Spanish stick insect will be kept in a secure enclosure and will be supervised at all times by the Ranger. Only the Ranger is to remove the spiny stick insects from its enclosure.	Ranger
Leaf tailed	Escape	Audience	Low	The leaf tailed stick insect will be kept in a secure	Ranger

stick insect				enclosure and will be supervised at all times by the	
				Ranger. Only the Ranger is to remove the Leaf tailed stick insect from its enclosure.	
Red knee	Bites	Audience and Ranger	Low	Tarantula's behaviour will be assessed before handling	Ranger
Tarantula				session commences if the tarantula is displaying aggressive behaviour the tarantula will not be	
Chile Rose				handled. Only tarantulas that are not highly	
Tarantula				venomous are used. In the event of bite the Ranger	
Curlu Hair				will secure the animal immediately and medical	
Curly Hair Tarantula				attention will be given to the individual bitten. Incident to be logged in accident book.	
	Hair flicking (Urticating hairs)			In the event of the tarantula flicking Urticating hairs audience will be advised to wash hands in warm	
				soapy water to remove any hairs and will be advised that these can also cause mild irritation to the skin.	
				The tarantula is not to be held near people's faces to	
				prevent inhalation of any hairs as this can cause	
				irritation to the airway.	
	Escape				
				The tarantula will be kept in a secure enclosure and	
				will be supervised at all times by the Ranger. Only the	
				Ranger is allowed to remove the tarantula from its enclosure.	
Royal Python	Bite	Audience and Ranger	Low	Only nonvenomous snakes are used the Ranger will assess the Royal Pythons behaviour before handling.	Ranger
rgenon				The Ranger will keep the snakes head away from the	
				audience, Royal Pythons are docile in nature and as	
				such are unlikely to bite. In the event of a bite/strike	
				the Ranger will secure the animal immediately and	
				medical assistance will be given to the individual	
				bitten. Incident to be logged in accident book.	
	Escape			The Royal Python will be kept in a secure enclosure	

				and will be supervised at all times by the Ranger. Only the Ranger is allowed to remove the Royal Python from its enclosure.	
Corn snake	Bite	Audience and Ranger	Low	Only nonvenomous snakes are used the Ranger will assess the corn snakes behaviour before handling. The Ranger will keep the snakes head away from the audience, corn snakes are docile in nature and as such up unlikely to bite. In the event of a bite/strike the Ranger will secure the animal immediately and medical assistance will be given to the individual Bitten. Incident to be logged in accident book. The corn snake will be kept in a secure enclosure and will be supervised at all times by the Ranger. Only the Ranger is allowed to remove the corn snake from its enclosure.	Ranger
Hermann Tortoise	Bite/Scratch Escape	Audience and Ranger	Low	The Ranger will instruct and supervise on the correct handling of Hermann tortoise if necessary the tortoise will be placed in a basket to prevent it from scratching individuals. In the event of a bite or scratch the range you will secure the animal immediately and medical assistance will be given to the individual injured. Incident to be logged in accident book.	Ranger
				Hermann tortoise will be kept in a secure enclosure and will be supervised at all times by the Ranger. Only the Ranger is allowed to remove the tortoise from its enclosure.	
Bearded Dragon Uromastyx	Bite/Scratch	Audience and Ranger	Low	The Ranger will instruct and supervise on the correct handling of the animal if necessary the animal will be placed in a basket to prevent it from scratching individuals. In the event of bite or scratch the Ranger	Ranger
Blue				will secure the animal immediately and medical assistance will be given to the individual Bitten.	

Tongued Skink				Incident to be logged in accident book.	
	Escape			The animal will be kept in a secure enclosure and will be supervised at all times by the Ranger. Only the Ranger is allowed to remove the animal from its enclosure.	
Geckos (Crested Gargoyle Chahoua Leachianus Leopard)	Bite	Audience and Ranger	Low	All these geckos are docile nature and are such are unlikely to bite. In the events of an individual being bitten the Ranger will secure the animal immediately medical assistance will be given to the individual bitten. Incident to be logged in accident book.	Ranger
	Escape			All the geckos will be kept in a secure enclosure and will be supervised at all times by the Ranger. Only the Ranger is allowed to remove the geckos from their enclosures.	
Chameleon (Veiled Panther Von Hohnels)	Bite/Scratch	Audience and Ranger	Low/Medium	The behaviour of the chameleon will be assessed before the handling session commences. If the Chameleon is displaying any aggressive behaviour the chameleon will not be handled. The Ranger will instruct on the correct handling and supervise the correct handling of the chameleon. The chameleon will be placed on a branch and will not be handled directly in the event of an individual being bitten or scratched the animal will be placed easing enclosure immediately and medical assistance will be given to the individual injured. Incident to be logged in accident book.	Ranger
	Escape	8		The chameleon will be kept in a secure enclosure and will be supervised at all times by the Ranger. Only the Ranger is allowed to remove the chameleon from its enclosure.	
Guinea pig	Bite/Scratch	Audience and Ranger	Low/Medium	The Rangers will instruct and supervise on the correct handling of the guinea pig	Ranger

	Escape			will be placed in a basket or on a blanket to prevent it from scratching individuals and minimise the risk of being bitten. In the event of a bite or scratch the ranger will secure the animal immediately and medical assistance will be given to the individual injured. Incident to be logged in accident book. Guinea pigs will be kept in secure carry basket and will be supervised at all times by the Ranger. Only the Ranger is allowed to remove guinea pigs from their enclosure.	
Chinchilla	Bite Escape	Audience and Ranger	Low/Medium	The Ranger will instructs and supervise on the correct handling of the chinchilla if necessary the chinchilla will be placed in a basket to prevent it from scratching individuals and minimise the risk of being bitten. In the event of a bite the Ranger will secure the animal immediately and medical assistance will be given to the individual injured. Incident to be logged in accident book. Chincillas will be kept in a secure carry basket and will be supervised at all times by the Ranger only the Rangers are allowed to remove chinchilla from their enclosure.	Ranger
Rabbit	Bite/scratch Escape	Audience and Ranger	Low/Medium	The Ranger will instructs and supervise on the correct handling of the rabbit if necessary the rabbit will be placed in a basket to prevent it from scratching individuals and minimise the risk of being bitten. In the event of a bite or scratch the Ranger will secure the animal immediately and medical assistance will be given to the individual injured. Incident to be logged in accident book. Rabbits will be kept in a secure carry basket and will	Ranger

				be supervised at all times by the Ranger only the Rangers are allowed to remove rabbits from their enclosure.	
Pygmy hedgehog	Bite/Scratch	Audience and Ranger	Low/Medium	The Ranger will instruct and supervise on the correct handling of the pygmy hedgehog if necessary the pygmy hedgehog will be placed in a basket to prevent it from scratching individuals and minimise the risk of being bitten. In the event of a bite or scratch the Ranger will secure the animal immediately and medical assistance will be given to the individual injured. Incident to be logged in accident book.	Ranger
	Escape			The pygmy hedgehog will be transported in a secure carry basket and will be supervised at all times by the Ranger. Only the Rangers are allowed to remove the pygmy hedgehog from its enclosure.	
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Hazard	Individual at risk	Level of risk	Control Measures	Who is responsible
Spread of disease and bacteria (salmonella)	Audience and Ranger	Low/Medium	The Ranger will wash their hands thoroughly directly before the presentation commences and directly after the presentation as ended. The Ranger will give the Health and safety brief before the animal handling experience starts this will include the washing of hands before and after handling the animal. Antibacterial gel will be used in between handling of each animal to reduce cross contamination. It is recommended that the venue must have hand-washing facilities. All animals can carry disease and bacteria; and are checked on a regular basis for health and illness.	Ranger/Party organiser

			Animals will be provided with vaccinations where necessary. Faecal samples will be collected from reptiles and tested on a regular basis. All animal enclosures and transport enclosures our regularly disinfected and cleaned substrates are replaced regularly to prevent spread of bacteria. Any sick or unwell animals will not be used in any presentation.	
Faecal/Urinates (A dry, chalky substance called a "Urate" which is essentially excreted <i>uric acid</i>)	Audience and Ranger	Low/Medium	Animals may sometimes poo as a defence mechanism when been handled. In the event of an animal poo's either near or on an individual the Ranger will clean this up immediately and disinfect the area. Bacterial gel Will be used on hands.	Ranger
Allergies	Audience	Low	It is recommended that Rangers are made aware of any potential allergies individuals may have. Venue staffs are responsible for delivering any specific first aid encoding depends for allergies are similar ailments.	Ranger/Party organiser
Phobias	Audience	Low	The audience will be introduced to each animal in turn. Individuals will be invited to handle the animals but are not obliged to hold the animal. If the individual does not want to hold an animal they will be asked to fold their arms. Anyone with severe or extreme phobias needs to be brought to the attention of the Ranger on arrival prior to the handling session commencing. The Ranger has the rights to remove an animal from the presentation if the audience or individual seems particularly stressed or uneasy.	Ranger/Party organiser
Child and vulnerable persons protection	Audience	Low	All Rangers have a valid CRB check renewed every three years. Captivating Creatures have up to date child protection and safeguarding training. All Ranges will be dressed in Captivating Creatures Branded uniforms.	Ranger

Animal transport	Ranger	Low	All our animals are transported in appropriate and secure enclosures, ensuring adequate heating is supplied and ample food and water is provided for the animals. Animals are not transported for long periods of time and animals will be rotated periodically in order to prevent being stressed. Venue staff should ensure power is available in order to provide heating for some animals if required.	Ranger/Party organiser
Vehicle Breakdown	Ranger	Low	In the event of vehicle breakdown the collection of the animals is to be arranged by the owner/director. Once the animals have been collected the recovery service is to be called and the vehicle repaired or recovered. Primary Emergency Contacts Owners/Directors Michelle Staniforth 07765876848 Lee Staniforth 07956636829 Secondary Emergency Contact Paul Staniforth 07939106498	Ranger
Vehicle Accident	Ranger	Low	In the event of a vehicle accident the safety and security of all the animals is to be ensured emergency services are to be informed and the collection of the animals is to be arranged by the owner/director. Once the animals have been collected the recovery of the vehicle can be arranged. Primary Emergency Contacts Owners/Directors Michelle Staniforth 07765876848 Lee Staniforth 07956636829 Secondary Emergency Contact Paul Staniforth 07939106498	Ranger

Public Events	Animals/Ranger	Low	For closed groups a maximum of 30 per session is	Ranger/Venue Staff
	, and as reary of		recommended. A representative of the event should	
			control the general public. The display will be held in	
			the gazebo when outdoors. In the unlikely event that	
			there are too many people the Ranger will restrict	
			access to the animals and move them to a safe and	
			secure place. The Ranger reserves the right to	
			withdraw any animals from any public events on the	
			grounds of animal welfare if required.	
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			In the event of any adverse weather conditions the	
			animals will be kept in their enclosures and access will	
			be restricted. An electricity supply must be provided in	
			order to provide adequate heat sources for the	
			animals; the Ranger will conduct a dynamic risk	
			assessment if necessary on the day of the event taking	
			into account weather conditions and temperature. The	
			Ranger will assess whether it is appropriate or not and	
			whether an alternative locations can be arranged.	
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			The Ranger will handle only one animal at any one	
			time. The Ranger will remain in full control of the	
			animal and the public will not be allowed to hold the	
			animal independently. All animal enclosures are kept	
			secure at all times and checked regularly by the	
			Ranger. Animals will be accounted for before during	
			and after the event. In the unlikely event that an	
			animal escapes the Ranger will locate the animal	
			promptly and using safe capture techniques will be	
			returned to its enclosure.	
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Covid-19 Risk Assessment

Hazard	Individual at risk	Level of risk	Control Measures	Who is responsible
Ingress and Egress in and out of buildings.	Ranger	Low	 Ensure relevant information is obtained for the venue Obtain an arrival time Confirm entry and exit point Maintain 2 metres social distancing from any other arrivals. Follow all guidance set by the venue and obtain a relevant COVID-19 Brief by the venue staff on arrival. 	Ranger
Vaccinations and testing	Audience and Ranger	Low	The day before any visit the Ranger will take a lateral flow test and if the test is positive will immediately inform the school/event. All Rangers have been fully vaccinated against COVID-19 having had both doses of the vaccine and have also had the booster vaccine.	Ranger
Potential spread of COVID-19 whilst at the venue.	Audience and Ranger	Low	Ensure hand washing is carried out immediately on arrival at the venue, periodically throughout the event and before leaving the venue. Ranger will wear clean uniform for the event.	Ranger
Setting up at the venue	Ranger	Low	Only the Ranger is to handle the equipment and animal enclosures. Tables to be cleaned before and after the presentation. Table cover to be used and cleaned after each event.	Ranger
Presentation	Audience and Ranger	Low	During the presentation the Ranger is to wear a face shield. During the animal handling the Ranger is to wear face shield and facemask. Ranger to take advice on social distancing from venue staff (School). Ranger to socially distance by 1+ metre wherever possible. All participants are to wash their hands before and immediately after the presentation.	Ranger

Reviewed by:	Date of Review:	Amendments made:	Signature (Electronically signed)
L Staniforth	01 Jan 2020	Animals added (Curly Hair Tarantula)	🔰 L Staníforth
L Staniforth	01 Jun 2020	COVID-19 addition	L Staníforth
L Staniforth	08 Aug 2020	Animals added (Frog, scorpion and Chinchilla)	L Staníforth
L Staniforth	06 Mar 2021	COVID-19 Update	L Staníforth
L Staniforth	15 Jun 2021	COVID-19 Update (vaccines and testing)	L Staníforth
L Staniforth	17 Dec 2021	COVID-19 Update (vaccines and testing)	L Staníforth
L Staniforth	23 Feb 2022	Rotherham Council Inspection amendments	L Staníforth