

RA051 — Junior Farm Managers (23 September)

Naylor's Ark Soul Sanctuary · Risk assessment (Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999)

Activity: Autumn term week 4: practical farm maths — weighing feed and hay, measuring fencing and water, estimating, costing and budgeting orchard produce

Programme: Home Education Hub — Home Ed at the Ark, term-time Wednesdays 11am–2pm

Assessment date: 20/08/2026 · Assessor: Liberty Naylor · Review: annually, after any incident and before each new term

Site: Naylor's Ark Soul Sanctuary · CPH 46/327/7111 · Vet: 608 Equine & Farm Veterinary Surgeons · Read with HSP-01, SSOW-01, RA031 biosecurity and the Home Ed session safety and hygiene checklist

Hazard	Who may be harmed	Control measures in place	Residual risk
Weighing and moving feed, hay bales and produce crates	Learners, parents	Child-sized loads only; bales moved by adults; scales set at table height so nothing is lifted overhead; two-person carry for crates; RA030 manual handling controls apply; learners shown how to bend at the knees before starting.	Low
Fencing measurement near stock fencing and electric fencing	Learners	Electric fencing switched off and confirmed dead by a team member before any measuring task near it, or that section excluded; tape measures kept low and never trailed across a walkway or into a paddock; no leaning on or climbing fences; barbed sections identified and avoided.	Medium
Water containers, troughs and pressure washers in the yard	Learners	Troughs measured from outside the pen; no learner operates a tap, hose or pressure washer; standing water pointed out; wet yard areas coned.	Low
Working in the yard alongside vehicles and machinery	All present	No vehicle movements during the session, or a marshalled route kept entirely separate; machinery isolated, keyed out and out of bounds; pedestrian route marked; RA033 machinery and grounds work controls apply.	Medium
Animal contact — bites, knocks, treads, startling	Learners, parents, staff	Only animals cleared for public contact on the roster; a member of the team present throughout; approach from the side, calm voices, no running or chasing; no head handling where the roster says so; no entry to paddocks with unsettled animals; RA015 general visit controls apply.	Medium
Zoonoses and infection (E. coli O157, cryptosporidium, ringworm)	Learners, parents, staff	Hand-washing with soap and hot water after animal contact and before any food or drink; no eating, drinking, thumb-sucking or phone use in animal areas; cuts and grazes covered; supervised wash station signed and stocked; RA031 biosecurity and zoonoses controls apply; anyone unwell asked to rebook.	Medium
Supervision and safeguarding of children	Learners	Parents and carers remain responsible for their own children and stay with them at all times; learners never left alone with an animal or a volunteer; ratio confirmed at booking; DBS-checked lead on site; concerns reported to the sanctuary lead the same day and to the local authority safeguarding team within 24 hours.	Low
Slips, trips, uneven ground and weather	All present	Route checked and swept before the session; suitable footwear and outdoor clothing stated at booking; wet or muddy sections coned or avoided; walkways kept clear of hoses, buckets and tools; shaded and sheltered space available; RA037 adverse weather controls apply; session shortened or postponed in high wind, ice or heat.	Low
Allergies, medical needs and mobility	Learners, parents	Allergies, medical needs and mobility captured on the family registration and reviewed before each session; seated and at-distance options always offered; families keep their own medication (inhalers, antihistamines, auto-injectors) with them; first aider on site with a stocked kit; MNA-01 medical needs assessment applies.	Low
Emergency, fire or animal escape	All present	Site safety briefing and sign-in at the gate before every session; assembly point, fire point, first aid kit and toilets shown at	Low

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during a session		the start; gates closed behind every person; register held by the lead; incident, near miss or animal concern reported and logged in the app the same day.	