



BEARPACK MOBILE AXE THROWING

METHOD STATEMENT (RAMS)

Company Information

Company Name: BearpackMobileAxe Throwing

Activity: Mobile Axe Throwing Events

Responsible Person: Chris Holden

Position: Director / Instructor

Review Date: Annually or following any significant operational change

1. SCOPE OF WORK

Bearpack MobileAxe Throwing provides supervised mobile axe throwing activities at private events, weddings, festivals, corporate functions, schools (where appropriate), community events and public gatherings.

The activity involves participants throwing purpose-designed axes at wooden targets within designated throwing lanes under the direct supervision of trained instructors.

2. STAFF COMPETENCY

BearpackMobileAxeThrowing instructors are responsible for:

- Safe transportation and setup of equipment.
- Site safety inspections.
- Delivery of participant safety briefings.
- Monitoring participant behaviour.
- Enforcing safety rules.
- Refusing participation where necessary.
- Managing incidents and emergencies.

Only authorised staff are permitted to handle equipment during setup and dismantling.

3. PRE-EVENT SITE ASSESSMENT

Prior to setup, Bearpack staff will:

- Assess ground conditions.
- Identify trip hazards.
- Check available space.
- Confirm safe access and egress routes.
- Identify emergency access points.
- Assess weather conditions.
- Ensure adequate separation from spectators.

If a site is deemed unsafe, Bearpack reserves the right to modify the setup or refuse operation until safety concerns are resolved.

4. TRANSPORTATION OF EQUIPMENT

All axes, targets, nets, barriers and equipment are transported securely within company vehicles.

Axes remain sheathed, secured or stored in designated transport containers when not in use.

Only authorised staff may handle equipment during loading and unloading.

5. SETUP PROCEDURE

Upon arrival:

1. Site inspection completed.
2. Throwing lanes measured and marked.
3. Target stands erected.
4. Targets secured.
5. Double safety netting installed behind targets.
6. Safety barriers, guide ropes and signage positioned.
7. Equipment inspection completed.
8. Activity area checked before opening to participants.

The activity will not commence until all safety measures are in place.

6. OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES

Participant Registration

Participants must:

- Meet the minimum age requirement of 8 years.
- Follow all safety instructions.
- Disclose any condition affecting safe participation.
- Accept instructor authority regarding safety decisions.

Participants under 18 years of age require parental or guardian consent.

Participants aged 8–12 years must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Alcohol Policy

Participants who appear intoxicated, impaired, aggressive, unsteady, or otherwise unable to participate safely will not be permitted to take part.

The instructor's decision is final.

No refund will be issued where participation is refused due to intoxication or unsafe behaviour.

Safety Briefing

Before participating, all participants will receive instruction covering:

- Safe handling of axes.
- Correct throwing technique.
- Lane rules.
- Retrieval procedures.
- Emergency stop procedures.
- Spectator awareness.
- Behavioural expectations.

Questions are encouraged before participation begins.

Throwing Operations

- Only one participant may throw in a lane at any one time.
 - Participants must remain behind the throwing line until instructed.
 - Axes are only retrieved following instructor approval.
 - Spectators must remain outside designated safety zones.
 - Instructors maintain supervision throughout the activity.
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7. CONTROL OF SPECTATORS

Spectators are prohibited from entering active throwing lanes.

Barriers, guide ropes, signage and instructor supervision are used to maintain safe separation between participants and the public.

Any person entering a restricted area may be asked to leave immediately.

8. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

Before each event, Bearpack staff inspect:

- Axes.
- Handles.
- Heads and fixings.
- Targets.
- Netting.
- Barriers.
- Signage.
- Support structures.

Damaged equipment is removed from service immediately.

Inspection records may be maintained where required.

9. WEATHER PROCEDURES

Operations may continue during normal adverse weather conditions where safe to do so.

Activities will be suspended immediately in the event of:

- Thunderstorms.
- Lightning.
- Severe wind conditions.
- Conditions creating an unacceptable safety risk.

The lead instructor has authority to suspend operations at any time.

10. FIRST AID AND EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

Bearpack Mobile Axe Throwing maintains a stocked first aid kit at all events.

In the event of an incident:

1. Activity stops immediately.
2. Area made safe.
3. First aid administered where appropriate.
4. Emergency services contacted if required.
5. Incident recorded and reviewed.

Emergency access routes are maintained throughout operations.

11. INCIDENT REPORTING

All accidents, injuries, near misses and dangerous occurrences shall be recorded and reviewed.

Where required, incidents will be reported in accordance with applicable UK health and safety legislation.

12. DISMANTLING PROCEDURE

At the end of the event:

1. Participants cleared from activity area.
2. Axes secured.
3. Targets dismantled.
4. Netting removed.
5. Barriers collected.
6. Site checked for waste or hazards.
7. Equipment loaded securely into transport vehicle.

A final inspection is completed before departure.

13. ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

Bearpack Mobile Axe Throwing aims to:

- Leave venues in a clean condition.
- Remove all waste generated by operations.
- Minimise disturbance to surrounding areas.
- Protect venue surfaces wherever reasonably practicable.

Whilst every effort is made to protect grass, flooring and other surfaces, minor wear or damage may occasionally occur through normal operation of the activity.

DECLARATION

This Method Statement has been prepared to demonstrate the safe operation of Bearpack Mobile Axe Throwing activities and shall be reviewed annually or following any significant operational change.

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