



At Windmill Animal Farm the Health and Safety of our visitors is our number one priority. We work with local and national experts as well as the local authority to constantly assess the safety of our provision.

Each year the Farm welcomes 60,000 visitors, of which approximately 8,000 are as part of an organised group visit.

As part of our approach to managing Health and Safety, we continually appraise our offer and Risk Assess various activities. Below is our standard Risk Assessment for a visit to the Farm.

However it is very important that you, as a group leader, carry out your own Risk Assessments relevant to your visit. To arrange a complimentary visit to carry out your own assessment, please call 01704 892282.

We hope you have an enjoyable visit and our staff will only be only too happy to help you in any way they can.

<i>Hazard or activity</i>	<i>Risks associated</i>	<i>Potential to cause harm</i>	<i>Controls in place and action required by visitors</i>
Animals	Infection, Biting	Low	All animals on site are hand picked for their kind and docile nature. How to feed the animals will be covered during your safety talk. Your Group Leaders must ensure that children wash their hands after handling the animals and especially before eating or drinking. Please note that wet wipes are not sufficient. Do not touch or feed the pigs donkeys and horses.
Animal droppings	Infection	Low	All animal areas are thoroughly cleaned each morning. Public pathways and grassed areas are free from animals.
Animal handling	Infection	Low/medium	After walking around the animal pens and paddock areas and after touching any animals all visitors MUST thoroughly wash their hands and follow guidance procedures displayed.
Play area	Falling, Tripping	Low	Children must be supervised at all times. All signage for equipment must be adhered to at all times. Our equipment is inspected on a regular basis.
Indoor soft play	Falling, Tripping	Impact	All soft play rules and guidance procedures displayed must be adhered to. Daily checklist of play area equipment is adhered to. Height restrictions apply. Children must not run. Your Group Leaders remain fully responsible for the children at all times.
Sand pit	Sand in eyes	Low	The sand complies with British Standard BS5665 and is rounded sand. If it is a windy and dry day, the sand is watered to prevent blowing.
Lake view	Falling into water	Low	The pond is fenced off to ensure children can't fall in. An emergency life buoy is situated adjacent to the pond.

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Lost children	Child becomes separated from Group	Low	Clear objectives so children know what is expected. Clear instructions as to expectations of behaviour and responsibilities to themselves and to one another. Your Group Leaders must have a list of the children and carry out a periodic check of numbers. Count pupils on to the coach and then count again (another adult) before setting off.
Uneven surfaces	Slip / trip / fall	Low	Your Group Leaders and children should take care when walking and wear sensible footwear. Children should not run whilst on site.
Wet grass	Slip / trip / fall	Low	Your Group Leaders and children should be aware of the possibility of wet grass and take adequate precautions.
Medical attention	Grazes, Stings, Bites	Low	Trained first aiders are always on hand.