



RISK ASSESSMENT – LION INTERACTIONS

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Activity:	Lion Interactions	Assessor:	Kierin Bristow
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Hazard	Affected Personnel	Control	Additional Controls	By Who
Slips & Falls	Clients Staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clients are not permitted to use their own phones / cameras • Adequate clothing and shoes to be worn • Routes to be cleared of major trip hazards prior to walk commencing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clients to be briefed on trip hazards during safety brief • Walkway constructed to starting point 	Staff Management Clients
Stress / Fear	Clients	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clients receive a full safety briefing including reassurance prior to the interaction • Clients are provided with a walking stick purely for reassurance • A minimum of four handlers accompany each interaction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clients to inform handlers if they are in distress • Handlers to reassure clients and maintain a close presence to distressed client 	Staff Management Clients
Lion Attack / Incident	Company Staff Clients Public	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indemnity forms to be signed by all clients • Disclaimer boards erected in four separate locations & easily identifiable by clients partaking in lion interactions • Company to only operate in a responsible manner, considering for external factors that could adversely affect the lions and staff prior to any interaction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All staff receive adequate training • Lions are treated in a humane and just manner always • Lions receive necessary training during their up bringing 	Director Managers Staff





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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lions are in a fit and proper condition to interact with humans 	
Lion Attack / Incident	Clients	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Handlers have necessary experience and training to identify potential dangers • Clients receive a safety briefing prior to any interactions • Lions are assessed constantly for their characteristics during the interaction • Handlers keep themselves between the lions and the clients (with the exception of clients holding lions tails where applicable) • All personnel including clients carry training sticks • Lions are <u>never</u> forced to do anything they do not want to do • Lions receive necessary training for interactions • No clients are permitted to carry their own phones / cameras / any item that could distract them or add rise to any safety related issues • No baggy clothing / dresses etc to be worn by clients 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff carry pepper spray • Adequate number of handlers to attend each walk as assessed and directed by the Director for each walk • Staff to ensure that clients are dressed adequately • Adequate supply of meat is carried for the lions during the walk • Toolbox talks with handlers prior to each walk 	Director Managers Handlers Staff





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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clients are not permitted to be in front of the lions 		
Lions Hunting Conservancy Animals	Animals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The interaction route is cleared of any animals prior to any interaction commencing • Should animals wander back onto route, lions are kept distracted by the handlers, while the animal is chased away 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A 	Handlers Staff
People Wandering onto Interaction Route During Interactions	Members of the Public Farm Guests / Farm Occupants / Staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Conservancy WhatsApp Group is notified of any lion walks • Tented camp guests are notified of any interactions and the time • Farm employees are notified by farm management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A 	Director Managers Staff
Deviation from Procedures / Controls	Clients Staff Company Members of the Public Animals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WTZM Director to undertake spot inspections and audits • Continual training • WTZM Director accompanies every walk 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continual identification and record of potential / identified hazards and risks • Open door policy for staff to raise concerns • Whistle blowing policy 	Director

