

Site Hazard Card

Holt Hall Field Study Centre

Mammal Traps

Location

Holt Hall Estate

Risks

The following risks are applicable to anyone taking part in this activity.

- Problems due to inadequate supervision.
- Risk of Weils disease and small mammal bites.
- Allergy to insect bites, stings or nuts.
- Injuries as a result of walking through woodland in low light levels.

Safety measures

- Staff: student ratio must be at least 1:6+1 for year 3 and 1:15+1 for years 4-6, not including Holt Hall Staff but wherever possible use a ratio of 1:10+1 for years 4-6. Staff: student ratio must be 1:15+1 for years 7-13.
- The traps must be clean before use if they are to be set by children.
- Plastic gloves must be worn when handling traps.
- The traps **MAY NOT BE TAKEN APART** by students.
- Students **MAY NOT TOUCH** any small mammal.
- Holt Hall teaching staff will open all traps and handle small mammals.
- Students may not put their fingers in their mouths or eat anything at any time during this lesson.
- All students must wash their hands with soap as soon as possible after handling traps even when gloves have been worn.
- Students should be warned about tripping up or scratching themselves on brambles and must take care when moving amongst twigs and nettles when setting traps. If traps are being set at dusk, adequate torch light must be available.
- If any student has an allergy to nuts or stings please ensure that Holt Hall staff are made aware of this so that precautions can be taken.

Emergency numbers

- Ambulance, Police: 999
- Cromer Hospital: 01263 513571
- Holt Surgery: 01263 712461
- Holt Hall: 01263 713117

Telephone locations in an emergency

- Holt Hall administration office