

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.

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

Safety measures

- The traps must be cleaned before use
- 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.
- Centre staff should check the nominal roll and make any necessary arrangements

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