



**New Leaf Triangle Lawn mower/Grass cutting**

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**ASSESSOR/JOB TITLE: Animal and Facilities Coordinator**

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**DATE 08.08.23**

**KEY-RISK MATRIX**

**Risk = Probability (Frequency) x Consequence (Severity)**

**CONSEQUENCE (Severity)**

	<b>Severe (3)</b>	<b>Moderate (2)</b>	<b>Minor (1)</b>
<b>Frequent (3)</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Occasional (2)</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Rare (1)</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>

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## **Context**

The main activities with small animals at New Leaf Triangle take place at site 1. It is 2 ½ acres of undulating ridge and furrow grassland with a 20 X 40m wood chip and rubber ménage, a steel barn containing 4 internal stables with a roller shutter door, 2 wooden stables (one of which is a hay store and the other houses the goats), a wooden feed/tool shed, 2 chicken coops, a duck house and goat pen with 2 small goat shelters. There is also a 5 X 3M log cabin and a 6x3 M Log cabin, both consisting of a single room.

The perimeter fencing is mainly hawthorn and blackthorn hedge, square stock wire with some rails in places. There is a car park area with 2 wooden five bar gates leading to the road. The car park is fenced off with a mixture of post and rail (screened with 2m willow screening), hedging and stock wire, wooden 1.6m fence panels and a wooden five bar gate leading to the yard which is backed with 2m foot willow screening.

The yard area is fenced and screened from the car park with post and rail and 2m willow screening.

The horse paddocks are sectioned off with post and rail fencing and stock wire.

Small animals present are chickens, geese, ducks, rabbits, rats and dogs. Goats, pigs and dogs have additional separate risk assessments in place.

The goats are housed in a stable at night. In the day the goats are put into the goat paddock adjoining the ménage, subject to weather conditions. There is a designated fenced off air rifle shooting area and archery area with an undercover shelter.

The rats have an indoor enclosure in the second medieval cabin with multiple levels and an outside run that is a rabbit enclosure.

<b>NUMBER</b>	<b>HAZARD/POSSIBLE OUTCOME</b>	<b>GROUPS</b>	<b>RISK RATING</b>	<b>CONTROLS</b>
1	Unsafe system of work- Eye/body injury Cuts/ lacerations Burns, High noise level/hearing damage, Crush injuries, Overturning of the mower	STAFF/ STUDENT/ VISITOR	GREEN 2	The operator's manual is available where required and full training will be given to each person to ensure it is used correctly. The mower is only to be used in accordance with operator's manual/manufacture's instructions. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) including eyewear needs to be supplied if necessary and clothing is provided and worn as necessary. Mower is only started when it is safe to do so - no bystanders or loose animals in the vicinity.

2	Flying debris including stones and clumps of grass- Eye/body injury	STAFF/STUDENTS/VISITOR	YELLOW 4	The area must be checked for stones, glass, metal and debris prior to use and the side chute must be open and the back one closed.
3	Hot engine parts-Burns	STAFF/STUDENT/VISITORS.	YELLOW 3	The engine is refilled before starting work while the engine is cool. If refuelling is required before the job is completed, wait for the engine to cool.  Long and suitable legwear must be worn when working with machinery
4	Rotating machinery-Cuts,abrasions and amputations	STAFF/STUDENT/VISITORS	YELLOW 3	Shields, guards, interlocks and other safety devices are in place and working properly. The engine needs to be shut off before cleaning out clogged chute or any other obstructions
5	Vibration- hand arm vibration or whole body vibration	STAFF/STUDENT/VISITORS	YELLOW 3	The mower is only used for specific time periods as specified by the manufacturer's instruction.
6	Defective equipment- Injuries as above	STAFF/STUDENT/VISITORS	YELLOW 3	The equipment is regularly inspected and serviced by a competent person. any defects or concerns are reported immediately to a coordinator, Director or Health and Safety representative. The mower needs to be taken out of use until repaired and all staff made aware.

7	Refuelling-fire/burns	STAFF/ STUDENT/ VISIT ORS		Do not smoke while refuelling and it must always be done outdoors. The mower is not to be kept in the hay shed and always be covered. Don't refuel while the engine is running or while the engine is hot and if any petrol is spilled. Do not attempt to start the engine but move the machine away from the area and do not start the engine until petrol vapours have dissipated Replace all fuel tank caps securely
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**I have read and understand the New Leaf Triangle Lawn mower Risk Assessment above and agree to follow its guidelines**

Staff Name	Signature	Date

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