

INCIDENT SEVERITY SCALE

Severity Ranking	Impact on Participation	Injury /	Illness	Social / Psychological Damage	Equipment Damage
1	MINOR IMPACT on individuals that doesn't have large effect on participation in activity	Splinters, insect bites, stings	Minor irritant	Temporary stress or embarrassment	Minor cost
2		Sunburn, scrapes, bruises, minor cuts	Minor cold, infection, mild allergy	Temporary stress or embarrassment with peers	>\$50
3		Blisters, minor sprain, minor dislocation, Cold/heat stress	Minor asthma, cold, upset stomach, etc	Stressed. Beyond comfort level. Shown up in front of the group	>\$100
4	MEDIUM IMPACT on individuals that may prevent participation in the activity for a day or two.	Lacerations, mild concussion, mild hypo/hyperthermia	Mild Flu, Migraine	Stressed, wants to leave activity, a lot of work to bring back in	>\$500
5		Spains & hyper-extensions, minor fracture	Flu, food/hygiene related diarrhoea/vomiting	Distressed, freezes on activity, requires "emotional rescue", does not want to participated again	>\$2,000
Level 6 or above - Notifiable Event					
6	MAJOR IMPACT On individuals that means they cannot continue with large parts of the activity/ trip.	Hospital stay <12hours, fractures, dislocations, frosbite, major burn, concussion, surgery. Breathing difficulties, moderate hypo/ hyperthermia	Medical treatment required. Hospital stay <12hours eg... serious asthma attack, serious infection, anaphylactic reaction	Very distressed, leaves activity and requires on site consulting. Unwilling to participate in activity ever again.	>\$8,000
7		Hospital stay >12hours eg, arterial bleeding, severe hypo/hyperthermia, loss of consciousness.	Hospital stay >12hours eg: infection or illness causing loss of consciousness, serious medical emergency	Therapy counselling required by professional	>\$20,000
8	LIFE CHANGING Effect on individuals or death	Major injury requiring hospitalisation eg: spinal damage, head injury	Major illness requiring hospitalisation eg: heart attack	Long term counselling / therapy required after incident	>\$50,000
9		Single death	Single death	Post-traumatic stress disorder, changed profession because of incident	>\$ 250,000
10		Multiple fatality	Multiple fatality	Suicide because of incident	>\$1,000,000