
	POND DIPPING	 <p>Bracknell Forest Council</p>
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<p><u>DESCRIPTION:</u></p> <p>The study of animals, minibeasts and other invertebrates living in a pond environment.</p>
<p><u>QUALIFICATIONS:</u></p> <p>The leader must have experience of the activity and be able to produce a risk assessment and activity management plan for the activity.</p>
<p><u>STAFFING RATIO:</u></p> <p>1/6 for up to Year 2.</p> <p>1/10 for up to Year 6 and beyond.</p> <p>1/15 minimum for all age groups beyond year 6 this may need to be reduced depending on the risk assessment of the environment where investigation is taking place</p>
<p><u>PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:</u></p> <p>Old clothes, sensible shoes, sun hats if necessary, sun cream if necessary, antiseptic hand wash.</p>
<p><u>HAZARDS:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Falling into water • Drowning • Muddy slippery edges • Weil's disease • Broken glass • Infection • Pond animals
<p><u>GUIDANCE:</u></p> <p>A beginners guide to pond dipping: British Ecological Society</p> <p>Please refer to the DfE document "Group Safety on Water Margins" http://www.rospa.com/leisuresafety/Info/WaterSafety/groupsafety-watermargins.pdf</p>
<p><u>OTHER INFORMATION:</u></p> <p>British Ecological Society http://www.britishecologicalsociety.org/</p>