

BUSHCRAFT OUTDOOR ADVENTURE SKILLS – STAGE 1 to 5

STAGE 1	
PLAN	
	I know why it is important to stick to trails when outdoors.
	I know about the “Buddy” system
	I know how to stop when I get lost at activities
	I know my address and location in an emergency.
	I know three reasons for having a shelter when sleeping outdoors.
DO	
	I can identify the main parts of a compass.
	I can be safe around a campfire
	I have participated in a game that required basic navigational skills
	I can hang a clothesline at camp with a clove hitch or other knot.
	I know how to correctly care for ropes.
	I can keep my dilly bag clean at camp.
REVIEW	
	I can talk about my favourite things from a navigational game

STAGE 2	
PLAN	
	I have explained what impact I can have on local vegetation while participating in activities
	I have discussed the appropriate action I should take in the case of an accident.
	I can discuss what safety precautions you should take before going out in the bush
	I know how to contact the emergency services
	I can state how many degrees there are on a compass and at what degrees the cardinal points are

	I know the rules for hygiene at camp (for cleaning equipment and preparing food).
DO	
	I can use a compass to find basic directions.
	I can protect myself when exposed to the sun while outdoors
	I can cook a foil-wrapped snack in a fire.
	I know how much water I should carry when on a hike or taking part in an outdoor activity
	I can demonstrate a correct way to build a safe fire place in the bush
REVIEW	
	I have talked about my favourite things from at least two bushcraft activities
	I can suggest what I would do differently for a future bushcraft activity

STAGE 3	
PLAN	
	I can explain the importance of wearing the right clothing while outdoors
	I know about native flora and fauna and the dangers they pose.
	I know how and where to get the latest weather forecast for the areas I will be doing activities in
	I know the first aid treatment for burns from hot water, grease and food
	I know how to treat cuts and minor bleeding
DO	
	I know what DRSABC stands for and how to apply it in first aid situations.
	I can cook a meal at using a camp stove.
	I can name 5 different situations that could be classified as an emergency in the outdoors and ways to prevent and deal with them

	I can identify the Southern Cross and three other Constellations in the night sky.
	I have set up and followed a simple compass trail with a group of scouts
	I can teach the importance of the buddy system to a Scout in Stage 1
	I have put together a personal outdoor survival kit.
	I can make a personal shelter out of plastic sheeting and rope.
REVIEW	
	I can reflect on the way my patrol worked together while following a compass trail
	I have identified improvements I can make to my shelter for the future

STAGE 4 – Pioneering A	
PLAN	
	I know how to protect the environment while constructing objects
	I can prepare equipment, where required, for safe transportation to activity location.
	I can draw up a plan for each object I construct.
	I can read the plan for a pioneering activity and understand what I am required to do
DO	
	I can, select appropriate size poles and ropes for a construction project.
	I can, with a group of scouts construct of a 5m high flagpole.
	I can with a group of scouts construct a scout chariot.
	I can explain the safety precaution to take when undertaking construction projects.
REVIEW	
	I can identify improvements for future construction activities.

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	I have checked equipment for damage and discussed if it needs to be repaired or replaced
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STAGE 4 – Survival Skills A

PLAN

	I know how to protect the environment when building shelters and lighting fires
	I can prepare equipment, for safe transportation to activity location.
	I can read the plan for a survival activity and understand what I am required to do

DO

	I am familiar with the signs and symptoms of hypothermia.
	I know how to purify water for drinking when it is appropriate to do so.
	I have built a shelter big enough for three, made of only natural materials found outdoors and rope, and I have slept out in it for at least two nights.
	I can establish and find the four cardinal directions (north, south, east, west) without a magnetic compass or any electronic means.
	I have discussed the basic survival skills and why each one is important

REVIEW

	I can identify improvements for future survival activities.
	I have checked equipment for damage and discussed if it needs to be repaired or replaced

STAGE 5 – Pioneering B

PLAN

	I have planned a meal for camp that can be cooked with iron by placing cookware in the fire/coals, as well as on top of the fire/coals.
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	I have helped design 3 constructions projects for camp, taking into consideration safety of self and others.
	I know how to use a camp axe or bow saw safely (opening, closing, passing, cleaning, caring for, sharpening, cutting) and know how to store them safely.

DO

	I have successfully completed a Provide First Aid and CPR Course from a recognised provider.
	Using spars (poles) and rope, I have constructed a 3m-high tower or a bridge over a 3m span.
	I have cooked the meal with iron that I planned earlier in this stage.
	I have taken part in at least 5 construction projects by the end of Stage 5.

REVIEW

	I have lead a discussion with my Patrol different improvements we could make to one of our constructions
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STAGE 5 – Survival Skills B

PLAN

	I have planned a meal for a survival camp taking into consideration-limited access to cooking resources.
	I have helped a Scout in a lower Stage put together a survival kit and explained to them the use of each item.

DO

	I have successfully completed a Provide First Aid and CPR Course from a recognised provider.
	I have maintained and used a portable water treatment device and know the limitations, advantages and disadvantages of the device.

	I can make a prediction about the local weather through natural signs.
	I have navigated using a magnetic compass bearing (untracked) for 3 km to a predetermined fixed point in a wilderness area.
	I can determine my location without electronic means

REVIEW

	I have lead a discussion with my Patrol various ways to improve the survival meals we've tried
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