Venue and Safety Information for Group Visits Museum of the Riverina – Botanic Gardens site



Venue Name:Museum of the Riverina – Botanic Gardens siteLocation:127 Lord Baden Powell Drive, TURVEY PARK NSW 2650Phone number:(02) 6926 9650Email address:kurylowicz.tim@wagga.nsw.gov.auWeb:www.museumriverina.com.au

Activity/ Program	Recommended age group/fitness level/ prerequisite skills	Staff accreditation/ competence for this activity	Potential hazards relating to each activity within venue	Control Strategies that will aid in the promotion of visitor safety against potential risk
Arriving and proceeding to museum entrance	Years K-12+	Teachers/Group Leaders	Arrival timing	 Groups should plan to arrive 5 mins before the starting time of their visit. We recommend that that teachers/group leaders carry a mobile phone to advise museum staff of any delays. Parking is available adjacent the
			Accessibility	 Museum. Wheelchair access is via a pathway from the carpark to the left of the museum entrance.
			Traffic in car park	 We recommend teachers/group leaders direct students to use the accessible pathway to avoid walking through the carpark.
Briefing of classes	Years K-12+	Museum Staff	Safety briefing	 A safety briefing will be delivered to students upon arrival at the venue.
		Teachers/Group leaders	Noise level and behaviour	 Teachers should maintain direct supervision of students at all times.
				 Teachers are responsible for ensuring students maintain an acceptable volume of noise and maintain an acceptable behaviour standard.
Personal property	Years K-12+	Museum Staff	Storage facilities	 Secure storage facilities are not available. Groups must take responsibility for all items that are brought onto the site.

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		Teachers/Group Leaders	Lost property	 Visitors should not leave valuables unattended. School bags can be temporarily stored near the museum entrance during school programs. Staff will contact schools in relation to personal property left on the premises.
Indoor spaces	Years K-12+	Teachers/ Group leaders Museum Staff	Trips and falls and damage to museum property	Teachers must ensure that there is no running or horseplay by students.
Outdoor exhibition spaces	Years K-12+	Teachers/ Group leaders Museum Staff	Safety Trips and falls and damage to museum property	 Appropriate clothing, footwear and sun protection must be worn. Visitors must not climb on objects, as they contain rust, sharp edges and entrapment risks Take care on sloped areas. Ground surface is uneven and can be slippery when wet.
Leaving the Museum	Years K-12+	Teachers	Lost property Lost or unaccounted for students	 Teachers/group leaders must report any lost property to staff at the reception desk. Teachers need to keep students together and under direct supervision at all times. A headcount should be conducted by teachers prior to leaving the Museum.

General Risk information	
Exhibition Content	Museum of the Riverina cannot guarantee that all exhibition material will be age-appropriate. It is the responsibility of teachers/group leaders to enquire and assess the exhibition for content suitability.
Supervision/services	Every adult accompanying students in a supervisory role MUST have adequate authority and experience (as determined by the school) to handle groups in their care. The school must ensure that there is adequate teacher supervision for the size of the visiting group and that supervision is evenly spread throughout your group while at the Museum. Suggested ratio is 1 adult to 15 students.
	Teachers must ensure that students do not leave the Museum without adequate supervision.
	The Museum is a public institution and we cannot prevent members of the public from entering our

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	exhibition spaces during opening hours.		
	Guided tours/talks to school groups will only be undertaken if prior arrangements are made of no less than		
	2 weeks prior to visit.		
Insurance	The venue is covered by Wagga Wagga City Council's Public Liability Insurance Policy.		
Accessibility	Museum of the Riverina's Historic Council Chambers site is Wheelchair accessible.		
	A hearing loop has been installed in the Historic Council Chamber and activates when the PA system is in		
	use.		
	An accessible toilet is available in the Civic Centre Arcade		
Emergencies	Museum staff will direct groups to the muster point if an emergency arises.		
First Aid	A first aid kit is available at this site.		
Child-related employment	Employees of the Museum are engaged in child-related employment as defined by the Child Protection		
	(Prohibited Employment) Act 1998. All staff at this site have completed a Prohibited Employment		
	Declaration and have undergone employment screening.		