

Dudley Environment Zone
Roberts Primary School, Roberts Street, Lower Gornal, Dudley, DY3 2UZ

RISK ASSESSMENT

Activity: TOOLS	Date: January 2021	Completed by: Guy de Szathmary
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TOOL	SAFETY CHECK	SAFETY RULES	CARRYING	MAINTENANCE/ STORAGE
BILLHOOK	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Blade tang goes all way through handle - blade is not chipped - handle not split - check blade sharpened 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Blood bubble distance of 2 arm lengths + tool - look out for other people - wear toe protected shoes - store tool in tree stump when not using 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - hold by handle - blade pointing down and facing backwards 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - store in locked box in locked storage - wipe blade after use - oil blade
AXE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Blade tang goes all way through handle - blade is not chipped - handle not split - check blade sharpened 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Blood bubble distance of 2 arm lengths + tool - look out for other people - wear toe protected shoes - store tool in tree stump when not using 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - hold by handle - keep sheath on blade 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - store in locked box in locked storage - wipe blade after use - oil blade - keep sheath on
FIXED BLADE KNIFE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Blade is sharp - blade is not damaged - blade secure in handle - sheath is not damaged 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Blood bubble distance of 2 arm lengths + tool - work away from body - store tool in sheath when not using 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - hold by handle - keep sheath on blade 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - store in locked box in locked storage - wipe blade after use - oil blade - keep sheath on
BOW SAW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - check blade is secure - check that no teeth are missing/damaged - handle is not damaged 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - use glove on non tool hand - steady stance - Blood bubble distance of 2 arm lengths + tool - correct blade: peg for dead wood Raker for green wood 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - hold by handle - keep sheath on blade 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - store in locked storage - brush blade after use - oil blade - keep sheath on