

RISK ASSESSMENT

Archery



<i>Hazard</i>	<i>At Risk</i>	<i>Control Measures</i>	<i>Severity</i>	<i>Likelihood</i>	<i>Rating</i>	<i>Further Action</i>
Injury due to equipment breaking and hitting participant e.g. bruises, cuts and abrasions	All	All equipment should be checked by the instructor/Staff Member prior to and during session. Regular / Monthly safety checks to be completed and logged.				Adequately Controlled
Misuse of equipment leading to injuries due to being hit e.g. bruises, cuts and abrasions	All	Staff Member to carry arrows in an appropriate container. Safety talk to include all rules regarding shooting and handling bows and arrows.				Adequately Controlled
Hard, uneven or slippery surfaces Slips, trips and falls	All	Area around Archery checked for hazards before session. Participants checked to ensure they are wearing suitable footwear.				Adequately Controlled
Activity equipment	All	Any equipment should be removed from the activity area while the instructor not present.				Adequately Controlled
Arrows Injury due to being hit by arrows	All	Staff Member to give safety talk about boundaries and rules of range Staff Member to explain 'stop/Fast' command No one to go over shooting line unless directed by an Staff Member and deemed safe				Adequately Controlled

		<p>All non shooting participants to wait in the designated waiting area. Range must be checked to ensure arrows cannot be shot out of the range (especially Outdoors, appropriate signs laid out. Overshoot area checked for people/animals prior to activity starting</p>				
<p>Bow string Contact with arm causing bruising of forearm</p>	All	<p>All participants must wear arm bracers. Staff Member to demonstrate correct shooting technique. Staff Member to remain vigilant while participants are shooting.</p>				Adequately Controlled
<p>Arrows falling off bow Injury from end of arrow coming into contact with participants hand</p>	All	<p>All arrows should be checked for length before shooting commences, this length should be 3" longer than the out stretched arm length.</p>				Adequately Controlled
<p>Incorrect arrow retrieval Injuries caused by contact with arrows</p>	All	<p>Staff Member to ensure the correct method of removal of arrows demonstrated and monitored. Staff Member to demonstrate correct technique for carrying arrows. Staff Member to be situated at target as arrows are being retrieved.</p>				Adequately Controlled
<p>Stray arrows</p>	All	<p>Waiting participants to be asked not to distract shooters. All nets to be in place and fastened correctly. Range to be set up in accordance with operating guidelines.</p>				Adequately Controlled
<p>Encroachment from non participants</p>	All	<p>Staff Member to be aware at all times of anyone approaching the range. Appropriate signage to be in place prior to shooting. Warning commands to be covered at start of session in safety talk</p>				Adequately Controlled

		If a person or animal moves towards or crosses the shooting area while archery is in progress, all archery must stop.				
Falling Target	All	Participants to be shown correct arrow retrieval technique. Staff Member to be situated at target as arrows are being retrieved.				Adequately Controlled
Uncollected Arrows Injuries due to guests finding arrows when no Staff member is present	All	Staff Member must count arrows at the start of the session, and again at the end of the session to ensure no arrows are left in the range.				Adequately Controlled
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