

Risk Assessment – record of significant findings

Risk Assessment for: Archery on Range	Assessment undertaken by:			
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Hazard	Outcome/injury	Person at risk	Rating	Injury	Controls
Slips, Trips & Falls	Various	ALL	Low	Low	Clear Briefing/Instructions, full
					understanding.
					No running in the range.
					Keeping a clear and tidy range. (clear
					path from deflected arrows, over grown
					bushes etc.)
					Being made aware of surroundings
					including rabbit holes or mole hills or any
					objects on the floor.
					Range layout suitable for use. (clear
					pathways, bench and seating locations)
					Appropriate footwear must be warn.
Failure of	Various	All	Low	High	Equipment is tested and inspected at
equipment					manufacturing.
					A weekly inspection is done by
					qualified/trained staff. Before/During use
					inspection done by instructor.
					PPE to be worn as appropriate.
					Range specifications is as 'a have a go
					range' this includes all the safety zones
					and dispensation.



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Failure of structure	Various	All	Low	Low	Net poles concreted in ground, with
					anchors for net weight, core structure
					built from scaffold and secured to
					ground.
Entanglement	Facial/Head	Participants	Med	Med	Ensure all Long hair is tied up/back as
					appropriate. Non-loose clothing to be
					worn.
					Clear Briefing/Instructions, full
					understanding. PPE to be worn as
					appropriate.
Deflection	Various/Impalement	All	Med	Med	Clear Briefing/Instructions, full
					understanding.
					Closed toed footwear to be warn
					Ratio 1 instructor to 4 participants to be
					at the shooting line at a time, no more
					then 8 further participants and 2
					spectators in seated area keeping area
					clear as possible.
					Range length to lower the risk of
					deflection injury.
					PPE to be worn as appropriate.
					Range fully surrounded with ballistic
					netting to a height of 3m in indirect
					zones and 6 m in direct.
Behavioural	Various	All	Low	Low	Clear Briefing/Instruction,
Problems					full understanding.
					Yellow/red card system.
					Ratio's 12:1 Maximum in compound area
					(not inc supervisors. Site behavioural
					policy.



					Group leader must be present to control group behaviour.
Wildlife	Various	All	Low	Low	No food permitted in the range. Range checked before/during use. Allergies (controlled by group leader)
Weather	Various	All	Low	Low	Activity not to be used in lightening weather. Activity not to be used in strong winds. No running in the range. Clear Briefing/Instructions, full understanding. Appropriate lighting when required. Rain may cause visibility issues, Instructors decision.
Environment	Trip, impalement	All	Low	Low	Floor covering to be made safe by raking the activity. Removal of any objects that cause hazards.
Bruising on the inner forearm from the bow string when shooting	bruising	Participants	Low	Low	Arm braces must be worn by everyone, Correct shooting technique taught, Full length arm bracer available if needed, Good Instructor awareness, Encourage long sleeves to be worn
Overdrawing	Various	Participants	Low	Low	All arrows are long enough for adults to use to prevent over drawing, Good Instructor awareness
Impalement whilst removing arrows from the target	impalement		Low	Low	At the instructors discretion the group will be able to remove their own arrows from the target but this will only be allowed if the instructor is confident in their ability to do so safely,



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			A full demonstration and brief will be
			given,
			The instructor must be vigilant
			throughout
Walking into	Impalement		Groups instructed to walk down the side
arrows that did not			of the range, Arrows on the floor should
make it to the		t	be picked up after collecting arrows from
target causing			target.
injuries to the shins			Good group control by instructor