

## Risk Assessment – record of significant findings

Risk Assessment for: Tomahawk 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.



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					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.
Cuts from axes	Cuts	Everyone	Medium	Low	Brief the group on the dangers of the
					axe: where to hold it and not to touch
					the blade.
Accidental release	Cuts	Everyone	Low	Low	Position group on waiting benches.
behind thrower					Instructor to stand to one side. Leaders
					Pictures from Viewing Area only. Back fall
					is set at 4M as per POR 9.38
Being hit by a	Cuts	Everyone	Low	Low	Position group on waiting benches.
Tomahawk or Angle					Instructor to stand to one side. Instructor
					to manage group and give safety brief.
					Students only to approach the Throwing
					Line by invitation of instructor,
					opening/closing range barrier chain.



Cuts or injury from dropping the axe	Cuts	Participant	Low	Low	Students to wear appropriate clothing and closed toe footwear. Angle holders to be always used.
Hitting ones-self while throwing or retrieving axe.	Cuts	Participant	Low	Low	Safety brief and demonstration. Careful group management and vigilance. Remove Hawk/Angle standing at side of target (Not facing target)
Over-throwing and Bouncebacks	Cuts	All	Low	Low	Targets placed sensibly. Front Legs on Back-stop line, this provides 10m and is over the 8m clear back drop in Scout POR 9.38 Demonstrate correct technique. Make sure group stays back by waiting area, Throwers Min 3m line with Angles and 4m with Tomahawks