



Ashworth Valley Scout Campsite

Cross Bow Risk Assessment

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Location of Ranges. Prior to Low Ropes Compound.

What are the Risks	Who are at Risk	Control Measures	Likelihood	Risk Rating	Further Action
Slips, Trips and Falls	All	Areas used for Activity to be checked by Instructor prior to commencement of Activity and all removable trip hazards cleared away. Instructor to brief Participants on the rules governing the activity. No running within the Activity Area at any time	Low	Low	None
Crossbow bolts Rebounding	All	Minimum/Maximum shooting distance marked out and to be adhered to. All none-active Participants to stay within the marked safety area at all times. Participants To wear the Eye protectors supplied, at all times.	Low	Low	None
Behaviour of Participants	All	If inappropriate behaviour from Participants. The Instructor will abandon the activity due to safety.	Low	Low	None
Retrieval of Bolts from Target	Active participants	Bolts can only be retrieved, by Participants, under the guidance of the Instructor Bolts must only be retrieved by the participant taking part.	Low	Low	None

Injury from equipment	Active Participants	<p>Regular safety checks and maintenance of equipment.</p> <p>Clear instructions on how to handle all equipment correctly.</p> <p>Instructor awareness and vigilance.</p>	Low	Low	None
Unauthorised entry into the live cross bow shooting area	Active Participants	<p>Instructor to ensure Participants are made aware of the dangers of entering the live shooting area.</p> <p>Instructor to ensure that entrances to the live shooting areas are kept clear at all times.</p>	Low	Low	None
Adverse weather conditions	All	<p>Instructor to be aware of the weather conditions and all activities to be cancelled/postponed if weather conditions are deemed to endanger the safety of Participants.</p> <p>i.e., heavy rain, strong wind, lightning, etc.</p>	Medium	Low	Monitor
Equipment Failure	Instructor	<p>All Equipment to be inspected prior to and after activity</p> <p>All defective equipment to be logged and reported via the set procedures</p>			

This Risk Assessment does not preclude you from completing your own written or dynamic Risk Assessments