

Risk Assessment – Archery

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Minimum Leader Qualification	In house assessed	Minimum Assistant Qualification	Responsible Adult
Max group size with Leader	12	Max group size with Assistant	18

Hazard	Who's at risk	Control measures	Risk (minimal, manageable, unacceptable)
Being hit by an arrow	Staff, Participants & Non-participants	Warning signs to inform visitors that archery is in progress. Reinforced by instructor being able to oversee whole area Correct safety instructions for loading, drawing and aiming given and understood. Group aware of safety in relation to shooting line and waiting areas Instructor to maintain total awareness of each individual's abilities and prepared to abandon the session if participants / group acting in unsafe manner All bows, strings, arrows checked prior to being given out	Minimal
Injury while stringing bow	Staff & participants	Appropriate staff training	Manageable
Injury by bow string	Staff & participants	Correct instruction on loading and shooting. Braces given to participants. Long sleeves suggested apparel.	Manageable
Walking into arrows	Staff & participants	Arrows returned to stand after collection Always approach targets from the side	Manageable
Hit by rebounding arrows	Staff & participants	Ensure everyone stays behind firing line. Instructor to check target area for hard objects prior to session	Manageable
Failure of equipment	Staff & participants	Prior to session, check all equipment Fix or report any damage	Minimal
Slips, Trips and Falls	Staff & participants	Ensure everyone is wearing the appropriate footwear for the conditions and that nobody runs on the archery range or going to and from it.	Manageable