



Risk assessment.

Name of activity, event, and location	Water Slide Bowley International Scout Centre	Date of risk assessment	24 th February 2025	Completed by	Chris Harrop
		Date of next review	24 th February 2027	Authorised by	Chris Taylor

What could go wrong? What hazard have you identified? What are the risks from it?	Who is at risk?	What are you going to do about it? How are the risks already controlled? What extra controls are needed? How will they be communicated to young people and adults and remain inclusive to all needs?	Review & revise What has changed that needs to be thought about and controlled?
A hazard is something that may cause harm or damage. The risk is the harm that may occur from the hazard.	For example: young people, adult volunteers, visitors	Controls are ways of making the activity safer by removing or reducing the risk. For example, you may use a different piece of equipment, or you might change the way you do the activity.	Keep checking throughout the activity in case you need to change what you're doing or even stop the activity. This is a great place to add comments which will be used as part of the review.
Hazard: Misuse of equipment Risk: Personal injury	Instructors Participants Spectators	Instruction provided at pre activity briefing. Activity supervised at all times. Instructor to have first aid kit available. Pellets only offered to catapult when user in position to shoot. Pellets only fired when aimed at target and the area is clear.	
Hazard: Equipment Failure Risk: Personal injury	Instructors Participants Spectators	Equipment checked at regular intervals (monthly) and recorded by a competent person. Equipment checked prior to every use. All damage to be reported to the Bowley General Manager	
Hazard: Unauthorised use of equipment Risk: Personal injury	Participants	When not in use all equipment stored in secure container. Equipment not to be left unattended when out of the activity store. Equipment to be kept in the activity store when not signed out for use.	
Hazard: Pellet backfire Risk: Personal injury	Instructors Participants Spectators	Clear briefing prior to activity. Safety goggles provided and should be worn.	
Hazard: Slips, trips and falls Risk: Personal injury	Instructors Participants Spectators	Activity area checked and cleared prior to commencement of the activity by the instructor. Participants given a safety briefing prior to starting the session and advised of the natural terrain the activity takes place in.	
Hazard: Extreme weather Risk: Sunburn, hypothermia, hyperthermia	Participants	Staff to check weather forecasts before activity, observe throughout, stop activity if necessary and move to safety. Ensure participants have suitable clothing and access to warm/cold drinks. Brief on sun protection. Targets sited nearer users to reduce the wind effects.	

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Don't forget, as part of your programme planning, you should have contingency activities in reserve just in case you can't do what was planned or you need to stop half way through. Make sure this is shared with those involved, so everyone knows how to respond. You should have risk assessed contingency activities prior to them taking place and communicated key information to those involved as with all activities.