

Wakefield Divisions Midgley Campsite Soft Archery Risk Assessment

Description: Soft archery, where arrows are fitted with suction cups, is a great way to introduce archery to younger members. For soft archery there is no requirement for a qualified instructor.

Intended outcomes: Enjoyment, community, performing, and fun.

Leaders are responsible for reviewing and amending the risk assessment with considerations for their unit. It is recommended that this be completed during a site visit and subsequently shared with the leadership Team.

Hazards <i>What could cause harm or damage?</i>	Who or what is at risk of being affected and how?	What are you already doing? <i>How have you reduced the risk already?</i>	Likelihood of Risk Occurring (L / M / H) After control measures	Severity of Risk (L / M / H)	Are further controls necessary? <i>What else needs to happen to reduce the risk to an acceptable level?</i>	Action by: name & date
Overshot arrows: • Bruising/eye injury	All participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Signs and barrier to be used as appropriate. • Maintain a clear overshoot area. Set up in designated area. 	L	L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children to be supervised throughout the activity 	Leaders in charge
Collection of arrows: • Bruising/eye injury	All participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No running in the area. • Ensure everyone has finished shooting before collection. Children collect the arrows upon instruction. • Adults to model how to collect the arrows. 	L	L		Leaders in charge
Bow string. • Abrasion, bruising to arm, facial injury	All participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • long sleeves to be used. • Long hair tied back • Loose clothing tucked away 	L	L		Leaders in charge

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Faulty equipment · Bruises, cuts and abrasions	All participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Check equipment before use. · Report any issues in the book provided upon departure 	L	L		Leaders in charge
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Stray arrows · Bruising, eye injury	All participants and spectators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Clear demonstration and instructions. · Participants to only point arrows towards the target. · Range to be set up so it points away from other participants. 	L	L		Leaders
Unsupervised access · Bruising, eye injury	All participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Ensure all equipment is put away after use. · Ensure numbers of bows and arrows are checked in and out. 	L	L		Leaders
Weather · Sunburn, heat exhaustion, wet, cold	All participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Have a shaded area if hot. · Leaders to encourage use of hats and sun cream if needed. · Monitor weather conditions and amend as applicable. · Ensure suitable clothing is worn. 	L	L		Leaders
Slips trips and falls	All participants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Ensure range is on the flat ground. · Ensure participants are aware of the boundaries for the activity. 	L	L		Leaders