

Scouting risk assessment

Name of Section or Activity	BiTs	Date of risk assessment	01/06/2023	Name of who undertook this risk assessment	Vicki Gage	Risk assessment for :	Mini-Crossbows
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Hazard Identified? / Risks from it?	Who is at risk?	How are the risks already controlled? What extra controls are needed?	What has changed that needs to be thought about and controlled?
Hazard – something that may cause harm or damage. Risk – the chance of it happening.	Young people, Leaders, Visitors?	Controls – Ways of making the activity safer by removing or reducing the risk from it. For example - you might use a different piece of equipment or you might change the way the activity is carried out.	Keep checking throughout the activity in case you need to change it...or even stop it! This is a great place to add comments which will be used as part of the review.
Slips, trips and falls	All	Group control. Group instructed to be careful when moving around site. No running on the range.	
Unauthorised use	All	Crossbows and darts to be locked in activities stores when not in use. Cross bows and darts not to be left unattended.	
Impact from sucker	All	Range is enclosed and waiting area is behind the shooting line	
Contact with string	Participants	Each participant is shown how to use the crossbows and told to hold them at arm's length when firing	
Suckers rebounding	All	Suckers cannot rebound the length of the range. Things that suckers can bounce off are a long way away from the shooting line.	
Horseplay	All	Activity to be supervised by a instructor, leader or Responsible adults. Session to be stopped if behaviour prevents the instructor effectively supervising the group.	
Review: This needs to be taken out yearly, or if the need exists as a new risk occurs or the measures put in place have not been enough to stop an incident happening.			

Checked by Line Manager	Name, Role / level Date	Checked by Executive	Name, Role / level Date
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Additional information can be found in the [Safety Checklist for Leaders](https://scouts.org.uk/safety) and other information at scouts.org.uk/safety