## Adventure Group – risk assessment for externally provided activities

Use this risk assessment before leading an activity to help understand the risks and any steps needed to be taken to stay safe. Complete a copy for every activity and keep this for 1 year after the date of the activity.



Activity	Air gun and air rifle shooting	Date of activity	24/03/22 and 01/04/22
Adventure Leader	Miggie Pickton	Date of risk assessment	27/02/22
Activity Provider	Crackshot, Newton Abbot (Contact: Eric Irish)	Date of research or recce	23/02/22

Possible hazards	Who might be harmed and how?	Ways to control the risk	Activity specific notes	Action taken? (click on the box to tick)
(including extreme r	Participants – risk of illness and injury	Check the weather forecast and postpone/cancel if necessary.	Activity is indoors. Forecast will be checked and if travel is likely to be hazardous we will postpone or cancel.	
		Advise participants to bring suitable clothing and items for the conditions.	Not applicable for indoor activity.	
Slips, trips and falls	Participants	Make participants aware of potential hazards; advise on suitable footwear	Comfortable footwear advised for internal use.	
Hazards due to specific nature of activity  Participants risk of e.g. injury, drowning, vertigo	•	Notify participants of any likely physical risks so they may make an informed decision re their personal fitness for the activity.	Ability to climb stairs (two ranges are upstairs) and lift weight of air rifle for short periods.	
	_	Ensure participants declare any relevant medical conditions to the provider.	Remind participants on the day	
		Employ experts to instruct and supervise the activity with safety as a priority. Ensure they include appropriate instruction to mitigate known physical risks (e.g. use of buoyancy aids; procedure for lifting safely; capsize procedure; what to do in emergency)	"Crackshot in Newton Abbot, South Devon is a customer focused business with many years of experience within its team. Ranging from Field Target shooting up to world championship level, Field and Target Archery, Shotgun coaching and live firing." (source)	

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		Ensure experts are appropriately qualified to teach and supervise the activity.	Please see above.	
		Ensure provider has first aid certification and first aid kit is available.	Yes and Yes	
		Ensure provider supplies appropriate safety equipment e.g. buoyancy aids; harness etc	Gun safety is covered by the instructors prior to shooting.	
		Ensure provider holds public liability insurance.	Yes (£5 million).	
Environmental risks	Participants	Ensure participants are aware of environmental hazards (e.g. pollution; poor water quality; uneven and slippery surfaces; overhanging trees; road traffic) and the actions needed to mitigate these.	Risk of injury or death from shooting accident: participants are advised to read and comply with Crackshot's terms and conditions and range rules. Instructors will include safety briefing prior to activity.	
Loss of money	Participants – due to cancellation by either party	Establish provider's policy for cancellation due to weather, illness or other circumstances.	Cancellation prior to 48 hours beforehand: full refund or move booking. Cancellation within 48 hours of booking: move booking.	
Loss of personal property	Participants	Establish provision of secure space for storage of personal belongings; advise participants to leave valuables at home	Participants advised not to take valuables.	
Transmission of COVID-19 through close contact / meeting other people	Participants – risk of spreading COVID-19	Plan the activity for a less busy time.	Activity to take place outside peak time.	
		Avoid activities where physical distancing is not possible.	Crackshot have used plastic screens to separate some shooting positions. Where not the case, participants are asked to respect each other's personal space.	
		The use of a lateral flow test on the morning of the activity is encouraged but not now mandatory.	Included in website briefing.	
		Give clear information about limiting the group size in line with government guidance.	Group size is limited to five per range.	

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		Advise participants at the start of the activity to maintain physical distancing, and what to do at any pinch points – this is everyone's responsibility.	Included in website briefing.	
		Carry a face covering in case of incidents.	Face masks are optional, in line with government guidance.	
		Ensure you have a record of who attended the activity for contact tracing.	Yes	
Transmission of COVID-19 through	Participants, members of the	Avoid touching each other's equipment, where possible	Groups will be sharing equipment so use of hand sanitiser is recommended.	
touching equipment	public – risk of spreading COVID-19	Suggest participants bring hand sanitiser.	Included in website briefing.	
Activity description and details to provide to participants before the start of the activity		<ul> <li>a. Type of activity</li> <li>b. Name of leader and leader's contact details</li> <li>c. Location of activity</li> <li>d. Date and start time</li> <li>e. Duration</li> <li>f. Cost, including deposit required</li> <li>g. Deadline for commitment (including payment of deposit if required)</li> <li>h. Deadline for payment in full</li> <li>i. Cancellation policy</li> <li>j. Procedure for notifying group if provider cancels</li> <li>k. Level of fitness required or any particular skills</li> <li>l. Need to declare relevant medical conditions</li> <li>m. Disclaimer: Please note that whilst the organisers are concerned for everyone's welfare, by taking part in this activity you should recognise that your safety is your own responsibility.</li> <li>n. Appropriate footwear &amp; clothing</li> <li>o. Toilet / refreshment facilities</li> <li>p. What to bring – food / drink / equipment</li> <li>q. Meeting point</li> <li>r. Car parking facilities</li> </ul>	Details are available on the Dawlish & District website: https://u3a.dawlish.info/adventure-group-shooting	