



Risk Assessment



This assessment reviews the risks involved in conducting the below activity and setting preventative measures in place to reduce the risk to the lowest level reasonably practicable.

Section 1			
RA Ref:	Hunters Pool General	Title:	Risk Assessment for the attendance and carrying out of Angling Activities
One off activity:		Dept:	Windmill Angling Club.

Persons Affected	Colleagues	Customers	Contractors	Public	3 rd Party/Other
Approx. Numbers	0	0	0	60+	1+

Description of Location, Activity and Equipment:	Hunters Pool, Mottram St. Andrew. Attendance and carrying out of angling activities + general maintenance of the facilities.
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Section 2											
Hazard	Risk	Existing Controls	C	L	RR	Add. Controls	C	L	RR	Assigned To	Due By
Main Gate Operation	Trapped fingers, trip/falls impact injury's	Make any member aware of the danger	1	2	2	None				All Members	
Uneven Ground at entrance / shed area / Pool Banksides	Trip/falls impact injury's	Make any member aware of the danger / informed to take extra caution	2	2	4	Hardcore and stream sand waste product put over the area.	1	2	2	Working Party Attendees	
Some Pegs have a step down to the paved area.	Members could stumble or fall	Make any member aware of the danger / informed to take extra caution	2	2	4	Area to be kept clear as possible to aid sight of potential issues	1	2	2	All Members	

Wasp / Stinging Insect Nest	Members / Visitors may be stung	Eradicate nest on report of their presence	2	2	4	Monitor nest for activity. X2 First Aid Kits installed around the pool	2	2	4	All Members	
Walkway between small & Large Pool Area	Slip/trip or fall.	Members informed to take extra caution when crossing. Keep area clear of leaves and debris as much as possible.	2	2	4	Chicken wire mesh fitted to wood bridge to aid grip under foot.	2	1	2	All Members	
Bankside liable to flooding after heavy rainfall / when the pool is at high water level	Slip/trip or fall.	Make any member aware of the danger / informed to take extra caution	2	2	4	Hardcore and stream sand waste product put over the area.	2	1	2	Working Party Attendees	
Walkway over the stream that the dam empties into	Slip/trip or fall.	Members informed to take extra caution when crossing. Keep area clear of leaves and debris as much as possible.	2	2	4	Chicken wire mesh fitted to wood bridge to aid grip under foot.	2	1	2	All Members	
Traffic Visibility at the top of Hunters Lane	Drivers & Passengers exiting the lane into traffic	Mirror opposite the exit to aid visibility of traffic movements	5	2	12	Mirror cleaned on working party visit and foulage trimmed back to aid visibility of traffic.	5	1	8	Working Party Attendees	
Pleasure Swimming	People visiting Hunters pool without permission Slip/trip or fall drowning.	A "No Swimming" sign placed on the entrance gate	5	2	10	X2 Life preserver rings & tethers on the bank side	5	1	5		
Concealed / Hidden Water	Slip/trip or fall drowning.	A "Concealed / Hidden Water" warning sign placed on the entrance gate.	5	2	10	X2 Lifebelts located around the pool	5	1	5		
Large Body of Water	Falling into water	X2 Lifebelts located around the pool	5	2	10	X2 First Aid Kits installed	5	1	5	All members	

Sunken areas on pool bankside.	Slip/trip or fall.	Members informed of any risk areas via Private WhatsApp	2	2	4	Repairs to be c/o and next schedule Working Party Visit	2	1	2	Working Party Attendees	
Wild Poisonous Plant life / Fungi growth	Ingestion / illness	Members informed of any risk areas via Private WhatsApp	4	1	4	Monitor and keep members informed of any changes	4	1	4	Committee	
Unstable & uneven peg paving slabs	Slip/trip or fall.	Make any member aware of the danger / informed to take extra caution	2	2	4	Working Party review of any pegs needing maintenance	2	2	4	Working Party Attendees	
Stings, cut etc.	Infection	X2 First Aid Kits installed	2	1	2	None				All Members	
Large body of water & possible non-swimmers	drowning	Non-Swimmers are not to fish alone at any of the club waters	5	2	10	None				Committee	
Visitors being harmed	All Previous mentioned risks	Accompanying member to make the visitor aware of potential dangers of Hunters Pool	5	1	5	None				All Members	
Trees in poor health	Impact from broken branches, Slip/trip or fall.	Tree Health to be review each working party as a minimum.	4	2	8	None				Committee	

Section 3			
Date:	04/01/2024	Review Due:	01/01/2025
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		Job Role:	Committee Member



A risk matrix allows you to best understand the level of risk you may be exposing yourself or others to. This method of rating risks is recommended for assessing the risk to safety associated with any activity. Having said this, if you are unfamiliar with a risk matrix, they can be overwhelming and difficult to understand. That's why we have written this small article, talking all about how to read a risk matrix.

Firstly, let's discuss exactly what a risk matrix is.

What is a risk matrix

A risk matrix is a grid that visually represents risks that may occur in a particular situation. Each risk rating in the grid is allocated a number between 1 and 25 and is listed as low, medium, high or critical. Each risk rating is also colour-coded to signify the level of risk a hazard poses. Our risk matrix uses the colours green, yellow, orange and red, signifying low, medium, high and catastrophic risks respectively.

This matrix format is designed to determine the risk associated with an identified hazard and to convey the consequence and likelihood of risks identified in a risk assessment. Now that we know what a risk assessment matrix is, we can discuss how to read one.

How to read a risk assessment matrix

You will notice on a risk matrix there are ratings along the top of the grid and ratings along the left-hand side of the grid. These are otherwise known as the x and y axes respectively. The x axis details the consequence a person could face if they encountered the hazard. They are ranked from left to right as such:

1. Insignificant
2. Minor
3. Moderate
4. Major
5. Catastrophic

The y axis outlines the likelihood of the risk occurring. They are ranked from top to bottom as such:

1. Almost certain to occur
2. Likely to occur frequently
3. Possibly and likely to occur
4. Unlikely to occur but could happen
5. May occur but rare

So, to read the risk matrix and determine the risk you may be facing, you need to determine the consequence of the risk and the likelihood of the risk occurring. Once you have these details, you can determine where the columns and rows from the X and Y axes meet and you'll have your risk rating for the hazard you have identified.

		Consequence				
		Negligible 1	Minor 2	Moderate 3	Major 4	Catastrophic 5
Likelihood	5 Almost certain	Moderate 5	High 10	Extreme 15	Extreme 20	Extreme 25
	4 Likely	Moderate 4	High 8	High 12	Extreme 16	Extreme 20
	3 Possible	Low 3	Moderate 6	High 9	High 12	Extreme 15
	2 Unlikely	Low 2	Moderate 4	Moderate 6	High 8	High 10
	1 Rare	Low 1	Low 2	Low 3	Moderate 4	Moderate 5