

Risk Assessment Hazard Checklist – Student Activities

Event	AICES Open Hockey	
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Locations	Newcastle Hockey Centre	Activities	AICES Open Championships
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1 INDOOR HAZARDS		
1.1	Inappropriate lighting	
1.2	Temperature	
1.3	Insufficient or unsuitable space	
1.4	Untidiness – causing trip / fire hazard	
1.5	Stairs – dark / steep / no handrail	
1.6	Lack of fire escapes / extinguishers / procedures	
1.7	Slip / trip / fall hazards	
1.8	Inadequate ventilation	
1.9	Inhalation of dust	
1.10	Poor surfaces for activities – slips / trips / impact	
1.11	Electrical hazards	

5 HAZARDS ON HILLS AND MOUNTAINS		
5.1	Slips & trips on grass, mud, rock	
5.2	River crossings	
5.3	Remote locations	
5.4	Difficult communication – weather / distance	
5.5	Falling debris	
5.6	Extra work imposed by terrain type / angle	
5.7	Lack of shelter	
5.8	Separation of group members	
5.9	Getting lost	
5.10	Falls from height	
5.11	Extremes of weather	

2 SPORTING ACTIVITY HAZARDS		
2.1	Uneven playing surface	Y
2.2	Playing surface too hard or soft	Y
2.3	Hard or sharp objects on pitch	Y
2.4	Sliding on Astroturf or tarmac	Y
2.5	Collisions / Conflict with surrounding objects or people	Y
2.6	Impact from sports equipment	Y
2.7	Contact sport injury	Y
2.8	Personal injury – fracture / sprains / cuts	Y

6 PEOPLE & ORGANISATIONAL HAZARDS		
6.1	Lack of information, training or instruction	Y
6.2	Poor activity planning or preparation	Y
6.3	Poor activity delivery or organisation	Y
6.4	Ignorance of rules and / or procedures	Y
6.5	Unsafe behaviour or attitude	Y
6.6	Lack of appropriate first aid equipment and experience	Y
6.7	Medical conditions of participants	Y
6.8	Poor safety control from group leaders	Y
6.9	Poor safety awareness from participants	Y
6.11	Lack of cooperation within group	Y
6.12	Differing skill levels within group	Y
6.13	Low level of physical fitness / strength	Y
6.14	Aggression between participants	Y
6.15	Aggression from crowd / public	
6.16	Contact between participants increasing risk	

3 HAZARDS ON COASTS & COASTAL WATERS		
3.1	Falls from cliffs, piers, sea walls	
3.2	Struck by falling objects from cliff	
3.3	Slips & falls on slopes / loose surfaces	
3.4	Quick sand & mud	
3.5	Access problems due to steep angle of beach slope	
3.6	Collisions between water users	
3.7	Swept away by wave surges	
3.8	Being washed against rocks / piers	
3.9	Low water temperatures	
3.10	Communication problems from waves / swell / distance	
3.11	Struck by objects in water	
3.12	Stranded by tides	
3.13	Swept away by currents	
3.14	Rip tides	
3.15	Longshore drift	
3.16	Conflicts between beach users	

7 EQUIPMENT AND OTHER HAZARDS		
7.1	Cash handling	
7.2	Transport to and from your activity	Y
7.3	Food poisoning	
7.4	Hazardous substances	
7.5	Equipment with moving / hot parts	
7.6	Heavy equipment	Y
7.7	Electrical hazards from equipment	
7.8	Noise from equipment	
7.9	Risk of trapping body / clothing in equipment	
7.10	Inadequate environment for equipment operation	
7.11	Inadequate protective equipment	Y
7.12	Equipment in unsuitable condition	

4 HAZARDS ON STILL / MOVING WATER		
4.1	Getting swept away from equipment or people	
4.2	Collision with rocks in and to sides of rivers	
4.3	Striking / trapping by submerged obstacles	
4.4	Being dragged down by undertow	
4.5	Restricted or impossible access to / from water	
4.6	Access problems – rescue / getting kit into water	
4.7	Falls from drops in level at weirs / waterfalls	
4.8	Getting out of depth	
4.9	Low water temperature	
4.10	Separation from other people	
4.11	Slips / trips on steep banks or uneven surfaces	
4.12	Difficult communications	
4.13	Remote locations	

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8.1	Risk Assessment from Venue	Y
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Risk Assessment – Student Activities

Association	AICES	Number of persons involved	100+
Nature of Activity	Open Hockey	Frequency of Activity	One Off

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Hazard Ref.	Potential Effect	Existing Controls in Place	Score Low/Medium/High Risk	Further Controls Required?	Who By	Target date
2.1	Can cause players to trip and fall causing injury	Pitch is kept in good condition with regular upkeep by Newcastle Hockey	Low	No		
2.2	Will hurt if fallen on.	Wearing protective items such as shinguards Regular watering of field	Low	No		
2.3	Running into goal posts	Goal posts in correct place on field	Low	No		
2.4	Sliding on Astroturf	Recommend appropriate shoes should be worn. Field regularly watered to minimise injury.	Med	No		
2.5	Collison during practice or games with another player due to the nature of the sport	If a person was seen to be playing unsafely then they would be remove from practice or the game. This is a risk of the game.	Med	No as collisions are unpredicable therefore no further control required		
2.6	Possible facial injury if the ball were to hit face full on	If a person was seen to be playing unsafely then they would be removed from practice or the game. Shim pads and mouth guards must be worn.	Med	No		
2.7	Injury	St John Ambulance on duty	Med	No		
2.8	injury due to the nature of the sport	Full warm-up session to ensure that players are ready to exercise. See 2.7	Med	Cool-down period after activity		
6.1 to 6.4	Injury	Coaches are properly trained and matches are properly structured and monitored. Because they have been selected in a representative team playersare expected to know the rules. Tournament was run under the same procedures last year.	Low	No		
6.5	Injury	Games taken very seriously as soon as possible bad behaviour is identified it is stopped	Low	No		
6.6	Injury	St John Ambulance in attendance.	Medium	No		
6.7	Injury	Individual schools and associations to ensure their players are medically fit.	Low	No		

6.8, 6.9	Injury	Qualified referees are used. Coaches are experienced in team management	Low	No		
6.10 to 6.13	Injury	Players may cause an injury to themselves or others if they do not know how to play and are involved in a game situation with more experienced players All players are of a representative level and as such should be of a similar skill level.	Low	No		
6.14	Injury through aggressive acts (illegal) on field	Qualified referees to control the game within the laws.				
7.2	Injury or accident during transport	Responsibility of individual associations	N/A	No	GA	
7.6	Injury as a result of the goal posts	Ensure goal posts are in good working order and are properly secured	Low	No		
7.11	Injury from inadequate equipment	Fulls Goal Keeper kit must be worn Mouth & Shin Guards compulsory	Low	No		
8.1	Venue is unsafe	GA has requested a Risk Assessment from the venue	Low	No	GA	Before Carnival