20.9.16 Kirton In Lindsey Risk Assessment for Orienteering

Risk assessments are concerned with identifying the hazards (i.e. things which might go wrong or cause an accident/injury), evaluating the likelihood of a particular event occurring (i.e. level of risk) and putting measures in place needed to reduce or eliminate the risk.

Name of Club / satellite club name / after school club			Humberside and Lincolnshire Orienteers	
Name of person completing this form		Peter Harris	Position of person completing this form (coach, organiser etc)	Organiser
Venue for session / event / activity		Brigg	Date for session / event / activity	Tuesday 20.9.16
Name of person in charge of session / event / activity		Peter Harris (Organiser)		
Risk assessment signed	P. Harris	John.	Risk assessment dated	19.9.16
Risk assessment checked by (name, position and date)	Print name & position (coach mentor, controller etc):		Controller Brian Slater	
	Sign and d	ate: 19.9.16		

Emergency Information:

Emergency access point (for emergency vehicles)	Post code / grid reference: Queens Head, Kirton In Lindsey	Place from which signed: Queens Head, Kirton In Lindsey
Nearest A&E hospital:	Name and Post code: Grimsby DN33 2BA (Scartho Road) 01472-874111 Scunthorpe DN157BH (Cliff Gardens) 01724-282282	Map available (where): With organiser at Registration
Working telephone:	Landline or mobile: If mobile (reception checked?) Mobile reception available	Number: 07751 481332 (B Slater mobile) 07484 639477 (P Harris mobile)
First Aid cover	Name of first aider: Neil Harvatt/Brian Slater	Located where? Registration

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It is essential that the mitigation column is completed in detail so that the control measures and who is responsible is fully understood in advance of the activity / session / event and that all staff / helpers are fully briefed.

NB: it is not sufficient only to put warnings in preliminary information as there is no way of being sure that all participants will have read them.

Hazard – note under these headings (see suggested examples to consider)	Possible outcome / injury including note on severity and likelihood of occurrence	Mitigation • What control measure? • Who is responsible?
In area to be used (indoor / outdoor): Outdoors		
Traffic	Low risk – medium/high severity	All courses will cross roads, competitors to be warned. Hi Vis to be worn. Under 16's to be accompanied by adults.
Wire / ruined fences	Low risk – low/medium severity	All known ruined fences are marked on the map.
Uneven surfaces on the course	Low risk – low/medium severity	Competitors aware – all events have uneven surfaces
Undergrowth/tree branches	Low risk – low/medium severity	Competitors aware – not a significant issue.
Water/River	Low risk – low/medium severity	Competitors to be made aware
Slippery surfaces	Low risk – low/medium severity	Warnings to participants about slippery ground if required.
Participants Clothing/shoes/equipment	Low risk - low severity	Competitors checked by Starter that they are correctly equipped. (Advised to wear reflective clothing and take head torches if darkness is looming)
Unexpected reactions/allergies	Low risk - low severity	First Aid Kit at registration, phone ambulance if required.
Competitors not returning	Low risk - high severity	Register maintained of starters, search procedure implemented if required.

Other people/activities in area			
Pedestrians/dog walkers/cyclists, etc	Low risk - low severity	Competitors to be warned to take care running round corners, etc. To be advised to look up frequently to avoid traffic and other collisions.	
Stranger Danger	Low risk – high severity	Competitors should give way to other users of footpaths and cover walkways etc. Random Checks & U16's competing only if accompanied.	
Weather			
If Darkness is looming	Low risk - low severity	Competitors are advised to have head torches.	
Bad weather (wet/cold)	Medium risk - medium severity	Check clothing is appropriate for weather. (Starter) Cancel event if conditions poor.	
Heat	Medium risk - medium severity	Advise participants to be hydrated. (Organiser)	
		Organiser (PH) to check weather forecast prior to event (As at 1 July, expected weather –Warm & Dry, 23°C)	
Equipment Computer equipment	Low risk - low/medium severity	Cabling to be kept tidy, all connections to be secure. Inside Pub used for registration.	

Examples of hazards with the potential to cause harm

NB: this list is not exhaustive; nor will all these be present. It is given as an aid to the person completing the risk assessment.

Area to be used: Indoors	Area to be used: Outdoors	Equipment:
Floor surface	Uneven surfaces	 Pencils in hand when running
Other equipment/obstacles	Slopes/steps	Pin punches
Shared use (dining room / other)	Slippery surfaces	Cane tops
activities)	Tree roots/branches	Tent guys
	 Vegetation (prickly, stinging) 	Electrical equipment – cables
	Wire / ruined fences	Generators
	Walls to be climbed	Cooking equipment
	 Litter (glass, used needles) 	
	Water (streams, rivers, ponds)	
	Cliffs / crags	
	Traffic (including road crossings)	
	Rail / tram lines	
	Mineshafts / caves	
	Military debris	
Participants:	Other people / activities in area:	Weather:
 Clothing / shoes 	Walking dogs	Cold / heat
 Existing medical conditions 	Cyclists	Rain / snow / hail
 Unexpected reactions/allergies 	Horse riders	Excessive wind
 Disorientation 	 Forestry operations 	Lightning
Tiredness	Park maintenance	
	Shooting / archery	
	Golf	
	Stranger danger	