



Risk Assessment	Rifle Range	Date of risk assessment	1 June 2021	Name of who undertook this risk assessment	David Sowden	Date for review	31 May 2022
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Inappropriate running of the activity	All	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Activity leaders are to have National Rifle Association Training qualification or equivalent as set out in the Scout Association POR. A principal instructor is to be designated as the Range Master with overall authority for the safe running of the activity. Activity leaders to ensure enough supervision is in place to monitor all aspects of the participating group including those inside and outside of the Range. Safety briefing given at start of session. Access to the Range to be controlled by the Range Master. Access of rifles and pellets to be controlled by the Range Master. Warning signs to be displayed when Range is in use. 	
Over and side shots	All	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants to be given clear information on direction of shooting. Physical stop behind targets to stop stray pellets. 	
Injury to participants and instructors through incorrect use of equipment	All	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Good group management and monitoring of all aspects of the Range area required by the Range Master. Range Master to give clear demonstration and instruction on how to load the rifles. Range Master to supervise the loading of the rifles. 	



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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants told not to put finger on the trigger when loading the rifle. Number of persons at the firing points to be limited by the Range Master (maximum of four at one time). All participants to wash hands after handling pellets. 	
Rifle being stored loaded	All	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Range Master to check at the end of the session that the rifle barrels are clear. All rifles to be stored in their discharged condition. 	
Participants' behaviour	All	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If in the opinion of the Range Master the behaviour of an individual or the group as a whole is not conducive to running a safe session then the activity session will be stopped and the person or persons causing concern removed. No person under the influence of alcohol or drugs should be allowed on the activity site. 	
Unauthorised use	All	Medium	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All rifles to be stored in locked gun cabinets when not in use. Pellets to be secured stored in separate location. Rifle range to be locked when not in use. 	
Covid	All	High	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Government and scouting guidelines to be followed. All to sanitize hands at the start and end of session as a minimum. Limit the number of participants in the rifle range 	