

THE QUARRIES SCOUT CAMPSITE



ARCHERY RANGE

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WORKING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE FOR THE FUTURE



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RISK ASSESSMENT FOR ARCHERY RANGE

1. **PERSONNEL INVOLVED** Instructors. Members of the Scout and Guide Associations and / or any youth group.

NUMBER OF PEOPLE Group sizes of 12 depending on age of participants.
Group leader required for supervision of young people in addition to instructors.

2. **Potential hazards, risk assessment and measures to be taken to control hazards**

POTENTIAL HAZARDS	ASSESSMENT OF RISK	MEASURES TAKEN TO CONTROL HAZARDS
Child Protection	Possibly serious	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All instructors have had DBS checks – with regular review and update • All instructors have attended a safeguarding and child protection course • Use of guidelines and rules of the Scout Association • All instructors registered with the Scout Association and hold the relevant permit for the activity.
Incorrect use of range or equipment	Damage or injury	Range will always be run under the control of a current archery permit holder or an Archery GB qualified instructor for non-scouting groups.
Movement around site and activity	Slips, trips or falls	Participants will be advised not to run and to be aware of the ground underfoot and any other appropriate hazards before the commencement of the activity
Unauthorised access	Injury from incorrect use	Arrows and bows must not be left unsupervised. An instructor to be at the range at all times when groups are participating. At other times equipment will be locked away.

Equipment failure	Injuries from faulty equipment	All equipment should be numbered and logged. Regular inspection of equipment carried out. Faulty equipment to be repaired or disposed of, whichever is applicable
Stray arrows	Serious injury from stray arrows outside the dedicated area	Participants will be advised on correct and safe procedures and will only be allowed in front of the shooting line when advised by the instructor. Spectators and participants awaiting their turn will remain in the waiting area until invited forward.
String arm bruising	Severe bruising / laceration	Arm braces must be worn by all participants
Impact from rear of arrow	Serious injury from arrow	Participants instructed on correct method of walking to targets and removing arrows
Arrows on ground and protruding from target	Serious injury from arrow	Participants will be advised on correct arrow retrieval, or left under the control of leaders whilst instructors collect arrows.
Adverse weather conditions	Lightning strike / poor visibility	Activity stopped during electrical storms, heavy rain, fog and icy conditions. Activity cancelled in high winds