



Activity: INDOOR Archery

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Risk Rating if no Controls:	HIGH	Medium	Low
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Risk Rating with Controls in place:	High	MEDIUM	Low
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Specific Hazards and consequent risks	People at Risk	Controls	Further Action
			And name of persons responsible for carrying out control actions.
Unauthorised access onto range and subsequent injury by arrows	Persons entering range whilst shooting is taking place	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Signage in place, in entrance corridor, to notify persons wanting to enter sports hall that Archery is in progress and they should not enter until all clear/collect arrow whistle signal has sounded (3 whistles) 2. Indoor shooting under control of experienced archer as field captain, using whistle controls 3. All archers aware of and using 'FAST' command to cease shooting should people enter from corridor whilst shooting is in place. 4. All fire doors to be kept closed to prevent use from outside whilst shooting is in progress. 	
Being hit by an arrow and subsequent injury	Participants Coaches/leaders others on site	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Strict rules and code of conduct provided to archers as part of their archery training, specifically relating to purpose of marked shooting line, movement forwards of this only under whistle control as above, and arrows or equipment that ends up in front of shooting line only to be collected if this can be done without actually crossing over the shooting line 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure The Grand National Archery Society (GNAS) guidance is followed

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Tripping on the range and subsequent injury	Participants	6. As per GNAS training, which ALL archers have completed, there is a policy of NO RUNNING AT ANY TIME whilst archery is in progress.	
Bruising on arms from bow string "wobble"	Participants	7. Verbal instruction on correct use of equipment so as to avoid injury given as part of ALL GNAS training. 8. Appropriate protection to be worn i.e. long sleeves & arm guards	
Walking into arrows on target or in the ground and subsequent injury	Participants	9. Verbal instruction on how to safely extract arrows is included in ALL GNAS training 10. NO RUNNING, as above 11. All arrows to be accounted for on arrival and departure from shooting range using sign in book	
Failure of Bow equipment and subsequent injury	Participants	12. All equipment checked by archers and/or instructors (coaches) prior to use 13. Any defective equipment is NOT used. It should be checked over and repaired by equipment officer before returning to club use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to equipment controlled by means of secure storage • Defective equipment stored separately and ideally marked
Boss toppling from stand onto persons nearby	Archers collecting arrows	14. Care taken when arrows pulled to ensure boss stays in place 15. 2 person handling/movement of bosses during change of distance within rounds or during set-up and clearing away	
Other	Netting	16. Safety nets to be in place behind targets/stands to prevent bounce back of arrows and/or damage to arrows that miss the boss.	