

Risk assessment and Management	Archery
2024	Archery

**Description.** Archery is a sport in which people shoot arrows at a target using a bow. For the purpose of the sessions we run this will always take place on an archery specific range this may be permanent or pop-up.

**Managing Risk Statement.** Supervisors will hold the appropriate qualification for this activity (see *Minimum Qualifications document*). The quality and safety of sessions will be regularly reviewed with any outcomes being fed into the RA and policies. Inherent within this activity is the possibility of getting wet, tired and exposed to ambient weather conditions (see *Weather Policy*)

**Benefits.** Adventure Activities provide a range of benefits (see *Adventure policy*)

The Hazard, what is	Who might be affected	How we manage the risk
causing a risk?		
Being shot with an arrow; While on the firing line	All	Ensure all firers keep bows toward targets. Explain / demo and instructor to stay vigilant.
While collecting arrows		No one to move forward of the firing line until all firers are finished and bows are down and instructor says its clear to collect arrows.
Walking into arrows on the ground / target	Firers	All firers to approach target from the side not straight on. Firers to remember where arrows land if off target – if unsure walk alongside the line of fire / parallel to the landing zone.
Tripping onto an arrow while walking back to firing line	firers	Firers instructed to hold arrows correctly while moving about carrying / collecting them. Explain / demo / watch for mistakes throughout
String burn on support arm	firers	Demo at start to highlight this if the bow held incorrectly.

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		Use of arm guards if available. Vigilance of instructor to coach throughout the session if bows being held incorrectly.
Specific assessments		

## **Operating Procedures**

#### Before

- Check medical / consent forms.
- Instructor to be familiar with activity RA specifically any site specific notes.
- Check the weather forecast does your plan still work.
- Check if there any venue restrictions
- Instructor to ensure correct kit is available for the venue / group.
- Instructor to inspect all kit to ensure it is usable.
- If residential course ensure the group know where to go / park etc.

### <u>During</u>

- Clear briefing to highlight risks, safety measures and expectations.
- Any assistants / staff to briefed on their role.
- Session delivered within instructors NGB remit / inhouse training / experience and accounting for the weather / group ability.

#### After

- Return kit.
- Inform SAC of any damages or loss.
- Inform manager of any issues with group / venue to assist with planning for future.

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