


GENERAL HEALTH & SAFETY RISK ASSESSMENT FOR:

RUGBY IN SCHOOLS

PART 1 : ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Section/Establishment Name: Charlesworth VC Primary School


Date of Assessment	03.05.18	Date of Issue	03.05.18
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Assessment carried out by	Neil Flint	Signature	
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Reviews				
Review Date	Reviewed by	Date	Changes Made	
			Y	N
23.09.20	N Flint			✓

Affected persons: Young People/Clients Staff Visitors Contractor Others (specify)

Name of Manager confirming and agreeing Assessment: Neil Flint

Signature: 

The following sections should be completed by all staff who need to be made aware of and abide by the findings of the Risk Assessment. NB: If, as a result of a review, changes are made to the Risk Assessment the relevant box on the attached page should be completed as appropriate by the staff concerned.

RISK ASSESSMENT

I confirm that I am aware of and understand the findings of the Risk Assessment and agree to ensure that I will work to the stated Control Measures and bring to the attention of Management any deficiencies in the findings of the Assessment.

Print Name	Signature	Date	Print Name	Signature	Date
B Howard					
K Barton					
J Streeter					
R Horner					
E Hampson					
H James					
C Brennan					
J Rayson					
J Davies					
M Medeley					
K Collier					
S Woodworth	<i>Absent due to ill health</i>				
C Kinnersley					
P. Denton	<i>Absent due to ill health</i>				

RISK ASSESSMENT

What are the hazards?	Generic Control Measures	✓ X	Person to implement	Additional Control Measures needed to reduce risk to an acceptable level	Person to implement	Date to be actioned
People ➤ Inappropriately trained and / or unqualified staff ➤ Inappropriate clothing and jewellery ➤ People spectators / visitors / trespassers ➤ Risk of injury from violence / dogs	The Headteacher to ensure all rugby activities are only taught / supervised by a qualified and competent member of staff or a qualified coach – qualified to Level 2 in Rugby.	✓	Head SMT	➤		
	All competitive school matches will have a member of staff from each school present as a minimum.	✓	Teacher Coach			
	All jewellery will be removed prior to any rugby activity taking place, and long hair will be tied back and nails trimmed. Taping up of jewellery is not appropriate for rugby activities. Under no circumstances will staff remove pupil jewellery.	✓				
	Appropriate clothing and footwear for rugby activities will be worn. Footwear must demonstrate effective grip for the surface and appropriate support and protection.	✓				
	The supervising adult will inspect the condition of studded footwear periodically.	N/A				
	Referees for matches will inspect studs prior to kick off.	N/A				
	Mouthguards will be worn in all rugby activities involving contact in accordance with the school's mouthguard policy. This does not include Tag Rugby	N/A				
	Pupils who are not able to comply with the schools rules will only be involved in appropriate parts of the lesson where their work can be supervised e.g. setting up, observing, teaching etc.	✓				
	Mixed gender competitive school matches do not take place with secondary age pupils.	N/A				
Rugby activities will be halted immediately if a stray dog enters the playing area or if there is a risk of violence from members of the public. Appropriate action to summon help and safeguard the pupils will be taken.	✓					

What are the hazards?	Generic Control Measures	✓ X	Person to implement	Additional Control Measures needed to reduce risk to an acceptable level	Person to implement	Date to be actioned
Equipment Playing area ➤ Goalposts / corner flags ➤ Area to be used and condition	Goalposts will be checked prior to the activity or game to ensure they are in good condition and secure. Goalpost uprights will be protected by padding for all rugby activities (including lessons). Corner flags and touchline flags will be flexible and sufficiently high so as not to constitute a hazard to falling players. All playing surfaces will be inspected before use for any hazards which could increase the risk of injury such as holes or cracks or foreign objects such as broken glass, animal faeces, syringes or large stones. Any foreign objects found will be safely removed prior to activity. Any areas deemed unsafe due to holes/cracks uneven surfaces not be used. Playing Area will be suitably separated from adjacent playing /working areas, ideally a minimum of 2m separation should exist between areas. The playing surface will be soft enough to safely accommodate falls during tackles. In adverse/inclement weather we will make a decision on which areas are safe to use.	N/A N/A N/A ✓ ✓ ✓ ✓ N/A ✓	Teacher Coach	➤		
Lesson ➤ Warm up and cool down ➤ Taught activities	All rugby activities will include an effective preparation and recovery period (warm up and cool down) at the start and end of the activity. Contact versions of the game will only be introduced and managed by suitably experienced staff and coaches following recognised teaching practices, guidelines and NGB (Rugby Football Union (RFU) and Rugby Football League (RFL)) Regulations. Staff and coaches will have clear lesson plans for this progressive delivery. When introducing technical aspects of the game e.g., tackling, scrummaging, rucking and mauling due regard will be paid to the age, ability and size of the participants. Adults will not participate in rugby activities with pupils other than to stop an activity to demonstrate a coaching point, or to take a limited role periodically to set up a situation which enables the pupils to learn. This will not involve tackling, scrummaging, rucking or mauling. Staff will not take part in any competitive activities/games with pupils.	✓ N/A ✓ ✓ ✓	Teacher Coach	➤		