

RISK ASSESSMENT (Pinsent site assessment)

Generic TOMAHAWK THROWING ACTIVITY RISK ASSESSMENT

This Risk Assessment addresses the risks as they are applicable to every tomahawk throwing activity on the tomahawk range at Pinsent. It is followed by a questionnaire that needs to be completed for each individual tomahawk throwing activity on the tomahawk range at Pinsent.

This Risk Assessment shall be used in conjunction with the following Risk Assessments

- Pinsent Scout Campsite General Use Risk Assessment (latest version) that addresses the general site aspects of the event (drop-off, pick-up, toilets, other activities) of which the archery activity is a part.
- Activity Area Risk Assessment (latest version) that addresses Use by Unauthorized people and Structural integrity of permanent equipment, buildings and fences.

VERSION: 1 DATE: 14 th August 2021.	REVIEW REQUIRED BY: 30 th August 2022 LAST REVIEW DATE: 14 th August 2021
1. ACTIVITY Tomahawk Throwing - Pinsent	2. DESCRIPTION/SCOPE The carrying of tomahawk throwing equipment between store and range, use on range.
3. PERSONS AT RISK <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Persons using tomahawk equipment.2. The range officer/instructor and assistants running the event.3. Persons waiting to be instructed.4. Spectators	
4. DESCRIPTION OF RISK AND LIKELY CONSEQUENCES <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Tomahawks thrown other than down the range or when people not behind the throwing line. The likely injury is puncture wounds, resulting in possible death or serious injury.2. Misuse of equipment. The likely injury is cuts and puncture wounds.3. Tomahawks falling from target when collecting tomahawks. The likely injury is puncture wounds to the head.	

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5. EXISTING PREVENTIVE AND PROTECTIVE MEASURES

General:

1. Only Scouts, Explorers, Network and Leaders may take part in the activity.
2. Persons acting as a range officer or an instructor shall be a member of KATTA (Knife, Axe, Tomahawk Throwing Association) or be acting under the supervision of a member of KATTA.
3. All equipment being used shall be checked by members of KATTA or person acting under the supervision of a KATTA member to ensure that it is fit to be used.
4. Any equipment that is damaged, shall not be used until it has been repaired or disposed of by a competent person.
5. All equipment shall be carried to / from the activity storage container and the range by adults.
6. Only Equipment owned and maintained by the activities team may be used by participants.
7. The range shall be operated in accordance with the training (including the continuous update to training provided by KATTA) of the Range Officer / Lead Instructor.
8. The Event Specific Tomahawk Throwing Activity Risk Assessment shall be completed for each activity instance to confirm the provisions for the individual activity.

Location related:

9. The throwing of tomahawks may only take place in the fenced Tomahawk Range and only thrown at the targets on the range. The use of any other site area for tomahawks shall be prohibited (it may be permitted under its own risk assessment).
10. The entrance gate to the Range shall be closed and clearly marked with signs to stop anybody from entering the range.
11. There shall be a maximum of the following number of persons in the range at any time when tomahawk throwing is in progress.
 - 12 Participants.
 - 2 Instructors.
 - 1 Range officer.
12. All spectators shall remain outside the fenced range.
13. Participants not throwing shall be sat quietly on the benches at the back of the range.
14. Parental permission form has been completed for each participant under the age of 18 taking part. Strict no form no throw.
15. Any disruptive behavior or participants not following the instructions will result in the session being stopped and the participants involved being asked to leave the range.

6. ASSESSMENT OF REMAINING RISK

The risks listed remain but have been minimised so far as is reasonably practicable

7. FURTHER ACTION (WITH PRIORITIES)

1. See activity checklist below

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Event Specific TOMAHAWK THROWING ACTIVITY RISK ASSESSMENT

This form shall be completed for each instance of a tomahawk throwing activity.

Assess and ✓ all boxes below, if you cannot ✓ all of the boxes then the activity cannot take place. If you are satisfied that it is safe to continue, then sign and date before you start the activity.

Activity date:

Group name and section:

KATTA members name:

First aider's name:

1.	Are the participants wearing correct clothing & footwear? No open toed sandals, Crocs or bare feet. All loose clothing to be removed or secured. Long hair to be tied back. ANY participant not wearing appropriate footwear is NOT permitted to participate.	
2.	Has a Permission to throw form been completed for each participant under 18.	
3.	Is the range set out properly? Check there are no trip or slip hazards on the range.	
4.	Is all the equipment to be used in good order, and correctly selected for the size and ability of the participant's?	
5.	Is there enough help to run the activity?	
6.	Is the permit holder content that any health issues / special need reported by any participant, parent, guardian or leader that might affect anyone taking part can be adequately accommodated?	
7.	Is the first aid kit in the known and signed location (in the Activity Storage Container)?	
8.	Is the entrance / exit clear for the activity? (Stop the activity if it does not remain clear)	
9.	Are the weather conditions OK?	

RANGE OFFICER / LEAD INSTRUCTOR

Sign _____ Date _____

Post activity risk assessment review – completed by Instructor

Comments

Sign_____

Date_____

Customer Comments

Sign_____

Date_____

Return to: Pinsent Activity Manager.

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TOMAHAWK THROWING ACTIVITY RISK ASSESSMENT – Approval for use

The following signatures approve the undertaking of Tomahawk Throwing on the Tomahawk Range at Pinsent subject to the application of the risk control measures in the risk assessment above.

Signatures

Pinsent Activities Manager:

	C G Floyd	14 August 21
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District Commissioner:

	S R Cook	16 th August 2021
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