

BRFC RISK ASSESSMENT

Blandford Rugby Football Club (BRFC) Mini/Youth Section	Assessment No: RA/001 Assessment Date: 01 Sep 2009 Assessor's Name: J I Pentney																				
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Activity</u></p> Coaching, Training and Playing of Rugby for Young Persons. This includes all administrative functions which are required to ensure the correct management of the Mini/Youth Section of BRFC.	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Number of Persons at Risk</u> (Please tick)</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 40%;"></th> <th style="width: 15%; text-align: center;">Volunteers/ Coaches</th> <th style="width: 15%; text-align: center;">Players</th> <th style="width: 30%; text-align: center;">Parents/Spectators</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>2 to 5</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>6 to 10</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>10 plus</td> <td style="text-align: center;">✓</td> <td style="text-align: center;">✓</td> <td style="text-align: center;">✓</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Volunteers/ Coaches	Players	Parents/Spectators	1				2 to 5				6 to 10				10 plus	✓	✓	✓
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<p><u>Hazards involved with the Activity</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Slips, trips and falls 2. Collision/Impact injuries through training or match play 3. Effects from climatic extremes (hot, cold or wet weather) 4. Cuts/scratches from sharp object. 5. Violence or inappropriate behaviour to players, coaches' administrative staff or parents. 6. Grazes/cuts from contact with the concrete area by the small pitch. 7. Manual Handling Injuries when removing/returning the Scrummage Machine to the designated storage container or during the movement of equipment and stores to and from the Tuck Shop. 8. Infection/contamination from bodily fluids. 9. Involvement in a Traffic Accident. 																					
<p><u>Existing Safety Measures/Controls</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Advice on the correct types of footwear including the RFU guidelines on boots fitted with the aluminium studs. All studs are to be checked at the commencement of training and prior to any match by the age group coach. Any areas which become unsafe as a result of a prolonged period of wet weather will be removed from the available training area. 2. Suitable and sufficient supervision of age groups by qualified coaches and additional parental assistance if required for larger groups. Match Officials provided by BRFC will also be suitable qualified. 3. Advice and reminders that all young persons must be provided with a drink and clothing which is appropriate for the weather. Multi layers for cold and wet weather including a waterproof coat or jacket. Younger age groups training/matches will be curtailed if the weather conditions deteriorate once the sessions has commenced. 																					

Existing Safety Measures/Controls cont'd

4. Pre training/match pitch inspection to remove any sharp stones, glass or other object which could cause cuts or scratches. Checking that players are wearing the correct studs.
5. Awareness and compliance with the Policies and procedures laid down by BRFC for the behaviour of all concerned with Rugby.
6. Concrete area to be covered by biscuit matting for all matches/training. Young persons using this pitch are to be instructed to keep clear of the area. Currently a waste bin is situated on this area.
7. Suitably qualified First Aiders to be available to all. The ratio of First Aiders will comply with the guidelines set out in the HSE "Event Safety Guide".
8. Disposable gloves provided in all First Aid kits. Awareness of the procedures which must be adopted when dealing with an injury where bodily fluids are present.
9. Only coaches will take/return the scrummage machine from its designated storage area. Players are to be supervised at all times when using this equipment. All Tuck shop items will be moved to and from the Tuck Shop in loads which are of a size and weight to reduce the risk of injury to those undertaking the task.
10. Parents who bring their motor vehicles onto the site are to comply with all displayed speed restrictions and directional signs or parking marshalls.

Residual Risk (After existing controls measures)

If there are none write Controls Adequate below. If risks still exist detail them below and work out a residual risk rating.

1. Slips, Trips and Falls
2. Collision/Impact injuries
3. Effects from climatic extremes
4. Cuts/scratches
5. Violence/abuse
6. Injuries from concrete
7. Manual Handling Injuries
8. Infection/Contamination from bodily fluids
9. Road Traffic Accident

Risk Rating

Likelihood x Severity = Risk Rating

$$2 \times 3 = 6$$

$$1 \times 3 = 3$$

$$1 \times 2 = 2$$

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IMPLEMENTATION OF CONTROLS AND MONITORING

Additional controls required to reduce the residual risk to below a risk rating of 3

1. Maintain and Review training techniques to ensure correct supervision at all times and if necessary the cancellation of a training session/match if the weather conditions make it unsafe to play on the pitch i.e. frozen, sun baked or waterlogged ground
2. No additional controls required.
3. No additional controls required.
4. Maintain and review the procedures for checking the grounds and players studs.
5. No additional controls required.
6. No additional control measures. Long term Chairperson to discuss removal or marking with School Groundsman.

