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| **Risk Assessment** | | | | |
| **Risk Assessment for the activity of** | **SUWPC Risk Assessment**  *Charity Water Polo Tournament (5/5/2024)* | | **Date**  **17/4/2024** | **Last review date** |
| **Unit/Faculty/Directorate** | **SUSU Water Polo Club** | **Assessor** | **Committee Member completing review**  **Katie Magill - President** | |
| **Line Manager/Supervisor** | ***Lucia Ciardo*** | **Signed off** | ***VP Activities/Sport or Activities Coordinator*** | |

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| ***PART A*** | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| **(1) Risk identification** | | | | **(2) Risk assessment** | | | | | **(3) Risk management** | | | | | | | |
| **Hazard** | **Potential Consequences** | **Who might be harmed**  **(user; those nearby; those in the vicinity; members of the public)** | | **Inherent** | | |  | | **Residual** | | | | | | **Further controls (use the risk hierarchy)** | |
| **Likelihood** | **Impact** | **Score** | **Control measures (use the risk hierarchy)** | | **Likelihood** | | **Impact** | | **Score** | |
| Slips, trips and falls | Physical injury | | Event organisers and attendees | **2** | **4** | **8** | * All boxes and equipment to be stored away from main meeting area, e.g. stored under tables * Any cables to be organised as best as possible * Cable ties/to be used if necessary * Floors to be kept clear and dry, and visual checks to be maintained throughout the meeting by organizers. * Extra vigilance will be paid to make sure that any spilled food products/objects are cleaned up quickly and efficiently in the area. * Report any trip hazards to facilities teams/venue staff asap. If cannot be removed mark off with hazard signs | **1** | | **4** | | **4** | | * Seek medical attention from SUSU Reception/venue staff if in need * Contact facilities team via SUSU reception/venue staff * Contact emergency services if needed * All incidents are to be reported on the as soon as possible ensuring the duty manager/health and safety officer have been informed. Follow [SUSU incident report policy](https://www.susu.org/groups/admin/howto/protectionaccident) | |
| Setting up of Equipment. E.g. Table and chairs | Bruising or broken bones from tripping over table and chairs. | | Meeting organisers and attendees | 2 | 3 | 6 | * Make stall operators aware of the potential risks, follow manual handling guidelines * Ensure that at least 2 people carry tables. * Setting up tables will be done by organisers. * Work in teams when handling other large and bulky items. * Request tools to support with move of heavy objects- SUSU Facilities/venue. E.g. hand truck, dolly, skates * Make sure anyone with any pre-existing conditions isn’t doing any unnecessary lifting and they are comfortable | 1 | | 3 | | 3 | | * Seek assistance if in need of extra help from facilities staff/venue staff if needed * Seek medical attention from SUSU Reception if in need * Contact emergency services if needed * All incidents are to be reported on the as soon as possible ensuring the duty manager/health and safety officer have been informed. Follow [SUSU incident report policy](https://www.susu.org/groups/admin/howto/protectionaccident) | |
| Inadequate meeting space- overcrowding, not inclusive to all members | Physical injury, distress, exclusion | | Event organisers and attendees | 1 | 3 | 3 | * Committee check on room pre-booking, checks on space, lighting, access, tech available * Ensure space meets needs of members e.g. considering location & accessibility of space * Committee to consult members on needs and make reasonable adjustments where possible | 1 | | 3 | | 3 | | * Seek medical attention if problem arises * Liaise with SUSU reception/activities team on available spaces for meetings * Postpone meetings where space cannot be found * Look at remote meeting options for members * Committee WIDE training | |
| Activities involving electrical equipment e.g. laptops/ computers | Risk of eye strain, injury, electric shock | | Event organisers and attendees | 2 | 4 | 8 | * Ensure regular breaks (ideally every 20mins) when using screens * Ensure screen is set up to avoid glare, is at eye height where possible * Ensure no liquids are placed near electrical equipment * Ensure all leads are secured with cable ties/mats etc | 1 | | 4 | | 4 | | * Request support and advice from SUSU IT/Tech teams e.g. via activities team * For external venues pre-check equipment and last PAT testing dates * Seek medical attention as required | |
| Socials/Meetings- Medical emergency | Members may sustain injury /become unwell  pre-existing medical conditions  Sickness  Distress | | Members | **3** | **5** | **15** | * Advise participants; to bring their personal medication * Members/Committee to carry out first aid if necessary and only if qualified and confident to do so * Contact emergency services as required 111/999 * Contact SUSU Reception/Venue staff for first aid support | **2** | | **5** | | **15** | | * Incidents are to be reported on the as soon as possible ensuring the duty manager/health and safety officer have been informed. * Follow [SUSU incident report policy](https://www.susu.org/groups/admin/howto/protectionaccident) | |
| Insufficient Fire Safety awareness | If a fire alarm is triggered, people may not know where to go-  Crushing, falls, burns and smoke inhalation arising from induced panic, reduced space in buildings and external walkways, obstructed fire exits, build-up of flammable materials i.e. waste cardboard/boxes. | | Members | **2** | **10** | **5** | * ensure that members know where the nearest fire exist are and the meeting place is outside, should it be needed * Build-up of rubbish is to be kept to a minimum. Excess build up is to be removed promptly and deposited in the designated areas. | **1** | | **5** | | **5** | | * All incidents are to be reported as soon as possible ensuring the duty manager/health and safety officer have been informed. * Call emergency services and University Security: * Emergency contact number for Campus Security: * Tel: +44 (0)23 8059 3311 * (Ext:3311). | |
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| Overcrowding | * Physical injury | | Event organisers and attendees | 1 | 3 | 3 | * Do not push/shove * If large crowds form, barriers can be requested by SUSU facilities team (if available on the day) to assist with crowd management. * Book during quieter times when less activities taking place on Redbrick/book all available space * Inform other bookings on the Redbrick/in the area of the event | 1 | | 3 | | 3 | | * Seek medical attention if problem arises * With support from a SUSU Activities coordinator Inform UoS security team of the event (– on campus 3311, off campus 02380 593311. [unisecurity@soton.ac.uk](mailto:unisecurity@soton.ac.uk)) and liaise with them on need for security teams on the day * Security team may inform police of the event if required (e.g. marches) | |
| Disturbance to public, students and staff | * Conflict, noise, crowds | | Event organisers and attendees, general public | 2 | 2 | 4 | * Events planned for redbrick avoiding residential areas * UoS Security Teams informed of the event * Everybody will be encouraged to stay together as a group * shouting, chants, whistles etc. will be kept to a minimum around busy university buildings and residential areas * If applicable book space during quieter times when less activities taking place in local lecture theatres (lunch, Wednesday afternoons) | 1 | | 2 | | 2 | | * With support from a SUSU Activities coordinator Inform UoS security team of the event -University Security 24 hours – on campus 3311, off campus 02380 593311. [unisecurity@soton.ac.uk](mailto:unisecurity@soton.ac.uk) * Inform UoS/SUSU communications team of the event- can brief others via SUSSSED | |
| Counter protest, discrimination against the demonstration/Campaign | * Assault, Violence or threatening/ Aggressive Behaviour | | Event organisers and attendees | **2** | **4** | **8** | * Event planned for Highfield campus- a route well signposted and known for students * Leaders to advise all participants to not engage/respond to any protests, aggressive behaviour- if safe to do so will encourage group to move on and remove themselves from situation- The event will be ended and students advised to return to campus if this continues * Prior information about event and what to expect given out so participants know what to expect via Facebook/social media posts * Participants made aware they could join and leave the event at any time. * Ensure that people are aware that this is an open space for discussion to discourage protest. | **1** | | **4** | | **4** | | * Event organisers to call University Security if necessary. * Emergency contact number for Campus Security: Tel: +44 (0)23 8059 3311 * (Ext: 3311) * Building 32, University Road Highfield Campus. * Any incidents will be reported via UoS reporting tools * Contact emergency services if needed * Organisers will, following the event, share relevant information on support/signpost via social media channels etc. | |
| Falling Objects e.g. banners | Injury  Bruising  Damage to equipment | | Members, visitors | **2** | **3** | **6** | * Tables to be safely secured by staff where possible – ask for support from facilities team * Ensure banner is secured and on a flat surface * Ensure banners or objects are not obscuring walkways or exits-ideally place behind or to the side of stall where space allows- ensuring distance between stalls/stall holders | **1** | | **2** | | **2** | | * Seek medical attention if problem arises * Seek support from facilities staff | |
| Exhaustion | Severe adverse health upon students | | Students, Event Volunteers | **4** | **4** | **16** | * Athletes encouraged to take regular breaks * Athletes encouraged to take on sufficient fluids and food throughout event * Athletes will be made aware of services available to them in case of ill health before the event (lifeguards, university security) * Athletes with pre-existing conditions encouraged to contact their doctor beforehand to ensure they are fit | **2** | | **3** | | **6** | | * Seek medical support if required * Seek medical support from facility staff | |

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| ***PART B – Action Plan*** | | | | | | | |
| **Risk Assessment Action Plan** | | | | | | | |
| **Part no.** | **Action to be taken, incl. Cost** | **By whom** | | **Target date** | **Review date** | **Outcome at review date** | |
| 1 | Committee to read and share SUSU Expect Respect Policy | Relevant committee members – president to ensure complete. | | 14/4/24 | 17/4/24 | Committee have read document | |
| 2 | Athletes to be briefed before the event on taking sufficient rest, hydration, and nutrition | Vice President – event coordinator | | 14/4/24 | 17/4/24 | Athletes have been briefed | |
| 3 | Athletes to be briefed before the event on fire escape procedure | Vice President – event coordinator | | 14/4/24 | 17/4/24 | Athletes have been briefed | |
| 4 | All involved with the event to be briefed of risk of movement on pool side and manual handling | Vice President – event coordinator | | 14/4/24 | 17/4/24 | All have been briefed | |
| 5 | Make all athletes aware of first aiders available should injury occur – lifeguard staff and university security | Vice President – event coordinator | | 14/4/24 | 17/4/24 | Athletes have been briefed | |
| Responsible committee member’s signature: | | | | | Responsible committee member’s signature: | | |
| Print name: Katie Magill – Katie Magill | | | Date: 17/4/24 | | Print name: Lucia Ciardo – Lucia Ciardo | | Date 17/4/24 |

**Assessment Guidance**

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| * Eliminate | | | | | Remove the hazard wherever possible which negates the need for further controls | | | | If this is not possible then explain why |  |
| * Substitute | | | | | Replace the hazard with one less hazardous | | | | If not possible then explain why |
| * Physical controls | | | | | Examples: enclosure, fume cupboard, glove box | | | | Likely to still require admin controls as well |
| * Admin controls | | | | | Examples: training, supervision, signage | | | |  |
| * Personal protection | | | | | Examples: respirators, safety specs, gloves | | | | Last resort as it only protects the individual |
| **LIKELIHOOD** | 5 | 5 | 10 | 15 | | 20 | 25 |
| 4 | 4 | 8 | 12 | | 16 | 20 |
| 3 | 3 | 6 | 9 | | 12 | 15 |
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| **IMPACT** | | | | | |

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| Impact | | Health & Safety |
| 1 | Trivial - insignificant | Very minor injuries e.g. slight bruising |
| 2 | Minor | Injuries or illness e.g. small cut or abrasion which require basic first aid treatment even in self-administered. |
| 3 | Moderate | Injuries or illness e.g. strain or sprain requiring first aid or medical support. |
| 4 | Major | Injuries or illness e.g. broken bone requiring medical support >24 hours and time off work >4 weeks. |
| 5 | Severe – extremely significant | Fatality or multiple serious injuries or illness requiring hospital admission or significant time off work. |

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| Likelihood | |
| 1 | Rare e.g. 1 in 100,000 chance or higher |
| 2 | Unlikely e.g. 1 in 10,000 chance or higher |
| 3 | Possible e.g. 1 in 1,000 chance or higher |
| 4 | Likely e.g. 1 in 100 chance or higher |
| 5 | Very Likely e.g. 1 in 10 chance or higher |