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| **Risk Assessment** | | | | |
| **Risk Assessment for the activity of** | *RAG society* Charity Event Risk Assessment | | **Date** | *19.02.2025* |
| **Are you a sports club or society?** | *yes* | **Assessor** | *Nimla Saafi* | |
| **President/Captain Name/2nd Committee Member** | *Amy Moir* | **Signed off** | ***SUSU USE ONLY*** | |
| **Risk Assessment Information**  (What is this risk assessment for? Please provide a summary of the activity or event, including all relevant information) | *RAG are hosting a culture day fundraiser, alongside the Afghan Society, to fundraise for afghan women. There’ll be performances (dancing, music, comedy) from other societies. There will be a snack table (that will have crisps, chocolates) and music.* | | | |

Charity Event Forms will need to be completed and sent to susurag@soton.ac.uk

| ***PART A*** | | | | | | | | | | |
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| **(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** |
| **General Considerations** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **Slips, trips and falls** | Soft tissue injury e.g., sprain, bruising. Potential broken ankle or other breaks i.e. wrists etc. Links directly to weather and ground surfaces. | All participants and organisers/staff and spectators | 2 | 3 | 6 | Check venue conditions for holes, lumps, and other obstacles. | 1 | 3 | 3 | If the injury is serious and participant in a lot of pain or discomfort, seek medical attention immediately.  Call 999 in an emergency.  Any incidents need to be reported as soon as possible ensuring duty manager/health and safety officers have been informed. Follow SUSU incident report policy. |
| **Fire** | Smoke inhalation, burns and more severe. Risk of extreme harm. | All participants and organisers/staff and spectators | 1 | 5 | 5 | Those leading the session must ensure they are aware of and fully understand the venue or locations fire procedures.  Those leading must make sure that all exit routes are clearly highlighted and report any issues immediately to the venue.  Highlight to all the Volunteers/Event Staff the nearest emergency exit routes at the start of a session, and the importance of assisting others to leave calmly in case of an emergency.  Consider accessibility requirements | 1 | 4 | 4 | In case of an emergency, please pull nearest fire alarm and ensure all participants leave the venue calmly and safely.  Once in a safe position to do so, call the emergency services on 999.  Any incidents need to be reported as soon as possible ensuring duty manager/health and safety officers have been informed. Follow SUSU incident report policy. |
| **Setting up/moving or chairs/tables/other objects in the area**. | Bruising or broken bones from tripping over table and chairs. | Meeting organisers and attendees | 2 | 3 | 6 | Make Event Volunteers aware of the potential risks, follow manual handling guidelines  Ensure that at least 2 people carry tables and large objects.  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) |
| **Overcrowding** | Physical injury | Event organisers and attendees | 5 | 5 | 5 | 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) |
| **Speakers** | Risk of ear strain, injury | Committee and attendees | 2 | 4 | 4 | Avoid too high volumes | 1 | 4 | 4 | Request support and advice from SUSU IT/Tech teams e.g. via activities team  Seek medical attention as required |
| **Accessibility**:  Entrances and Exits to the chosen area. | Participants may be prevented from attending the activity due to a lack of considerations of accessibility needs and requirements.  They could also be prevented from leaving the area quickly in an emergency if the correct infrastructure and considerations have not been made. | Participants, committee | 1 | 5 | 5 | All areas chosen for activity will have their suitability checked.  If a closed activity for members, members will be consulted to ensure there are no accessibility requirements.  If an open activity, committee will consider all accessibility requirements and ensure that the area chosen is as accessible as possible. | 1 | 5 | 5 | In case of an emergency, call the emergency services on 999.  If those with accessibility problems have not been able to exit, make the building manager and emergency services aware.  Any incidents need to be reported as soon as possible ensuring duty manager/health and safety officers have been informed. Follow SUSU incident report policy. |
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| Charity Fundraising |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Handling and Storing Money – | Theft, Individuals being mugged. | Members and Participants | 3 | 4 | 12 | As Fundraising for own Society/Club no Card Machine will be present.  All fundraising to be completed via QR code to A GoFundMe or Similar Platform. | 2 | 3 | 6 | No Cash to be accepted at all. Clubs and Societies are not to use Personal Card machines to take payments. |
| Handling and storing Money – (Charity Fundraiser) | * Theft * Individuals being mugged/robbed * Loss/misplacement leading to financial loss | Members and Participants | 3 | 4 | 12 | Southampton RAG procedures will be followed:   * Charity Event form completed, and RAG approval will be given * All food hygiene certificates and event risk assessment to be approved by activities team * Sum-up Card machine to be requested and collected from SUSU reception. * Should not be storing money. ALL donations to be taken via Sumup Machine or Just Giving Pages | 2 | 3 | 6 | No Cash to Be Accepted at all.  No card machines to be left unattended.  No Volunteers to be left alone with the card machine  In the event of theft committee members will:   * Highlight the incident to any community police officers in the area/report to 111 * Report to SUSU Duty manager and [Complete a SUSU incident report](https://www.susu.org/groups/admin/howto/protectionaccident) |
| Abuse of Members and Volunteers | Members of the public or students may act violently towards volunteers. Eg: Because they disagree with the cause. | Volunteers and Participants | 4 | 3 | 12 | No Volunteers are ever to be left alone. Always have at least 2 people at a stall or at an Event. | 2 | 3 | 6 | * Report to SUSU Duty manager and [Complete a SUSU incident report](https://www.susu.org/groups/admin/howto/protectionaccident) * 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. |
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| Lone working | Stolen goods, injury to individual misuse of card reader. | Volunteers | 3 | 3 | 9 | Ensure no one is left alone as a volunteer at a fundraising event especially if using a Sum-up Card reader.  Event led to brief volunteers to operate the card readers in pairs and briefed on how to handle situations surrounding these. | 3 | 1 | 3 | * 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. |
| Adverse weather | Injury, Illness, Slipping, Burns | Event organisers, event attendees, | 4 | 3 | 12 | Lead organiser to check the weather is suitable for activities on the day  (Add in timeframe of cancellation window)  Warn those attending to prepare by wearing appropriate clothing and footwear e.g. via social media posts, email invites  In the case of hot weather organisers to advice participants to bring/wear appropriate level sunscreen, hydrate  If Cancellation is required ensure all relevant parties are contacted.  SUSU – [subookings@soto.ac.uk](mailto:subookings@soto.ac.uk)  Uni – [roombookings@soton.ac.uk](mailto:roombookings@soton.ac.uk)  Or your external contacts. | 4 | 1 | 4 | If adverse weather is too extreme to be controlled, the event should ultimately be cancelled or postponed to a different date |
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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 | Ensure all committee members know to be stationed in places where people can easily get to them if they need help (ie. If they’re overcrowded/overwhelmed etc) | Nimla Saafi | 10.02.2025 | | 19.02.25 | If successful, then continue to have members stationed | |
| 2 | Before the event, check for any spills or hazards that could cause a fall | Nimla Saafi | 19/2/25 | | 19/2/25 | Remove any large hazards (ie. Loose wire, chairs in the way of exit) | |
| 3 | Ensure all members are aware on how to properly handle funds. | Nimla Saafi | 10/2/25 | | 19/2/25 | All funds should be received by Sum-up card machines or just giving pages. | |
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| Responsible committee member signature: | | | | | Responsible committee member signature: | | |
| Print name: Nimla Saafi | | | | Date 20.01.2025 | Print name: Amy Moir | | Date 20.01.2025 |

**Assessment Guidance**

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| 1. Eliminate | Remove the hazard wherever possible which negates the need for further controls | If this is not possible then explain why |  |
| 1. Substitute | Replace the hazard with one less hazardous | If not possible then explain why |
| 1. Physical controls | Examples: enclosure, fume cupboard, glove box | Likely to still require admin controls as well |
| 1. Admin controls | Examples: training, supervision, signage |  |
| 1. Personal protection | Examples: respirators, safety specs, gloves | Last resort as it only protects the individual |

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| **LIKELIHOOD** | 5 | 5 | 10 | 15 | 20 | 25 |
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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. |

Risk process

1. Identify the impact and likelihood using the tables above.
2. Identify the risk rating by multiplying the Impact by the likelihood using the coloured matrix.
3. If the risk is amber or red – identify control measures to reduce the risk to as low as is reasonably practicable.
4. If the residual risk is green, additional controls are not necessary.
5. If the residual risk is amber the activity can continue but you must identify and implement further controls to reduce the risk to as low as reasonably practicable.
6. If the residual risk is red do not continue with the activity until additional controls have been implemented and the risk is reduced.
7. Control measures should follow the risk hierarchy, where appropriate as per the pyramid above.
8. The cost of implementing control measures can be taken into account but should be proportional to the risk i.e. a control to reduce low risk may not need to be carried out if the cost is high but a control to manage high risk means that even at high cost the control would be necessary.

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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 |