NSAA SCHOOL TEAM XC RISK ASSESSMENT TEMPLE PARK, SOUTH SHIELDS 2024

Hazard Identified	Risk	Action / Control Measures	Notes
1. Suitability of venue	Large enough to take the event? Suitable facilities?	 Parking at Temple Park site. Toilets available in TP centre No changing available No food and drink provided Parking is 2 minutes walk from start and finish. 	 PP to talk to GIS KF - Kevin Flannery PP - Paul Ponton TP - Temple Park HB - Helen Buist EB - Edna Beveridge
2. Clear Race Headquarters/ Coordination point	People need clearly defined roles. If in doubt whom do students see?	 Registration inside Sports Hall from side entrance Team managers collect race info from there. Team managers to ensure good behaviour and safety of their team. KF in charge on Course PP in charge of Race HQ KF in charge of Marshalls PP in charge of Start/ Finish area 	 PP and KF in contact by mobile phone. Prepare signs for Race HQ Steve John i/c Race HQ Helen Buist Race HQ
3. Pupils getting lost on course.	Straying into dangerous areas or becoming disorientated.	 PP and KF discuss key points of the course. Marshalls and appropriate signage to positioned around course. Course to be built with marker posts and rope. Course map on website prior to the event. Spare course maps will be provided in school envelopes Athletes will have the opportunity to walk the course prior to the race. Starter to brief each race and inform Pupils that they will have to cross a tarmac footpath. 	 All Marshalls will have mobile numbers for PP and KF and be supplied with Radio. KF to mark course, check for need to buy tape/spray PP to prepare team info

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4. Shelter and Course amendment in case of poor weather	cold/hypothermic. Significant wind chill	•	PP and KF to make an assessment on the night before and morning of competition. Shelter is available in Sports Hall by side entrance if weather is poor. Cancel or modify course lengths if appropriate Pupils have been instructed to bring warm and waterproof clothing.		PP and KF to liaise.
5. Pupils getting injured on course.	Leg injury, Respiratory distress, Fainting, Exhaustion, hypothermia.	•	All courses have been discussed by NSAA County Executive and are in line with ESAA guidelines. PP and KF will all be in mobile contact. Marshalls will have mobile phones with appropriate numbers or Radios KF will check course for any problems. Schools will be advised to speak to pupils about appropriate footwear. Starter to inform Pupils that they will have to cross a tarmac footpath, Individual schools to ensure that pupils have inhalers with them if needed.	•	First Aid will be available at finish area for any problems. Send info to schools in appropriate time. Marshalls to be briefed by KF Accident Report Form to be available and completed by PP Space Blankets for covering injured runners coming off course
6. Pupils inappropriately dressed for conditions	Risk of people becoming very cold/hypothermic. Significant wind chill	•	Comprehensive information on website prior to the event. NSAA staff will check pupils. Starter will brief runners about	•	Schools will receive info in plenty of time. Space Blankets for covering injured runners coming off

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7. Poor weather conditions or conditions underfoot.	Course being unsuitable to hold event.	 PP and KF to make decision on whether XC will take place Event will be cancelled early so schools do not have to travel. 	 KF to check course and make decision PP will have mobile numbers for teachers who provided them
8. Checking that all athletes are accounted for in each race	Pupils not making the finish due to injury and /or fatigue	 Runners are checked back by own team manager Team manager to let KF of any missing pupil Marshalls to keep eyes open for any struggling athletes 	Key marshalls will have radios. In addition PP and KF will have mobiles.
9. First Aid	Injury or death due to delay in first aid	 Schools are responsible for their own First Aid, with PP back-up. Marshalls to have First Aid out on course Marshalls will have relevant phone numbers Marshalls will have Space Blankets for children withdrawing from the race. 	 PP to check that mobile FA kits are available KF to produce telephone cards for Marshall's Ambulance to be phoned if necessary by Event Co-ordinator County Team Managers to take pupils to hospital if needed Nearest Hospital – South Tyneside General – 5 minutes away 0191 259 6660 4x4 available if called on by PP
10. Marshalls	Injury or death due to poor marshalling.	 Marshalls will be briefed about their roles Marshalls will have mobile phones or Radio in case of emergency 	 KF to brief Marshalls KF to provide card with phone numbers of relevant staff.
	Cold injury	 Marshalls will be told to bring warm waterproof clothing 	