



Activities Usually carried out by club: Football training and football matches.

HAZARD	CONTROL MEASURES IN PLACE	RISK FACTOR	FURTHER CONTROL MEASURES
General state of the pitch <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • uneven ground • presence of holes • presence of foreign objects 	Groundsman regularly checks state of pitch and training ground Referee checks pitch before game.	low	Managers/training staff to check state of training ground before commencement of training.
Weather extremes	Groundsman/referee can call the game off in extreme weather conditions	low	
Goalposts (both permanent and temporary) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • danger of collapsing • injuries from implements used to secure goals 	Goalposts on pitch should be checked by referee before each match. Portable goals must be anchored to ground, when in use, in accordance with FA and British Standards Institute advice: www.wrcfa.com/goalpost_safety.htm Metal cup hooks are not to be used on permanent or portable goals, plastic ones should be used instead.	medium	Follow FA and BSI guidelines when purchasing any further goals: do not buy goals with metal cup hooks.
Balls <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • too hard • tatty state (sharp peeling leather) 	Balls pumped to appropriate pressure Referee can check this Balls are thrown away when the leather peels off	low	Ball pressures checked by Kit man on a regular basis
Footwear <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • inappropriate footwear for conditions (danger of slipping/risk of injury) • sharp studs 	Referees may check footwear before matches (check for sharp studs).	low	Each player to be responsible for wearing appropriate footwear for the surface they are playing on, and to check their studs regularly.
Jewellery	All jewellery must be removed or	low	Each player to be responsible for removing

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	taped up before a match. Referee checks this.		their own jewellery during training. Where jewellery cannot be removed taping may be allowed but this is at the sole discretion of the match officials.
Conduct of players <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • dangerous play/physical violence 	We play to FA rules. The referee can caution or send off players in breach of these rules	medium	
Physical injuries from normal play	Players should warm up and warm down properly before matches and training. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A first aid kit is taken to each match (and restocked regularly). • Players with injuries or medical complaints should let these be known to their manager. • A first aid officer is appointed annually to over-see first aid matters. – • Players must wear shin pads. • Coverage are covered by club injury insurance; they are however advised to take out their own medical/insurance cover. 	medium-high	Those members of the club organising warm-ups and training to have proper training in such matters. Encourage players to take basic first aid training.
Dehydration/Exhaustion	Water bottles are provided at matches.	low	Note this is not the case during the current pandemic. All players must bring their own water bottles
Travelling to and from matches	Drivers own responsibility to ensure car is road-worthy and insured	medium	Note specific Covid requirements
Qualification of staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Football Coaching Session – sport specific football must be lead by a minimum FA Level 2 qualified coach • Supervised Football session – FA Level coaches can run football related and fun sessions with supervision • 	low	

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	Junior Football Organisers (JFOs) and CSLA qualified persons can also run supervised fun sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All Coaches must be enhanced CRB Checked 		
Staff : Adults/Child ratio	FA Level 2 coaches can lead 1:20 All supervised coaching is 1:16 but this can increase by 10 participants per extra staff member		If staff are working alone, they must refer to this in the Event Specific Risk Assessment
People participating who are not eligible or medically fit	Ensure participants are eligible to participate – age, ability etc relevant to the session Ensure participants are medically fit to participate, enquire in sensitive and confidential manner	Legal liability & Unknown Medical conditions Medium	Check through registers or verbally request information at open access sessions Health history to be requested for all participants
Electrical sockets on floors and walls <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Electrocution, slips, trips and falls 	Cover to wall/floor sockets	low	
Manual Handling	Appropriate instructions are given on how to lift or move specialist items of equipment Ensure enough staff are available to move heavy objects as required	low	Ensure that staff have received appropriate instruction on manual handling
Child protection <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participants vulnerable from members of the public 	Ensure that participants leave the play area with a buddy (to the toilets/drink/break etc) Leaders awareness of spectators at open access sessions and public areas Photography requires written consent	low	Brief all participants before each session Leaders make appropriate enquiry to member of the public Written consent collected from parent / guardian
Fire Evacuation procedures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Injury by heat / smoke or panic 	Fire evacuation procedures in place on site	Low/medium	Staff to familiarise themselves with evacuation procedures and exits, and brief group if necessary
Accidents (first aid)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medical information / emergency 	low	All incidents to be recorded properly

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Injury 	contact details available to key staff <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to qualified first aider, first aid kit and telephone 		

This generic risk assessment identifies the common hazards and control measures associated with this type of activity. Before undertaking the activity, the ACTIVITY LEADER must also complete an “EVENT/ VENUE/ GROUP -SPECIFIC” Risk Assessment

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