

Macclesfield Flyfishers Club Limited

Risk Assessment for Club Working Parties.

The Club really appreciate the efforts of our members who assist in the working parties. The following is the Club Risk Assessment to help in keeping the membership safe in these events

Name of activity, event, and location	Macclesfield Flyfishers Club Limited		Date of risk assessment	03/06/2024	Name of person doing this risk assessment	Diana Stafford & Mike Fennell
	<u>Risk Assessment for Club Working Parties</u>		Date of next review	03/06/2025		
What could go wrong? What hazard have you identified? What are the risks from it?	Who is at risk?	What are you going to do about it? How are the risks already controlled? What extra controls are needed? How will they be communicated to young people and adults and remain inclusive to all needs?			Review & revise What has changed that needs to be thought about and controlled?	
A hazard is something that may cause harm or damage. The risk is the harm that may occur from the hazard.	Members	Controls are ways of making the activity safer by removing or reducing the risk. For example, you may use a different piece of equipment or you might change the way you do the activity.			Keep checking throughout the activity in case you need to change what you're doing or even stop the activity. This is a great place to add comments which will be used as part of the review.	
Working Parties						
Attendance	Members	Participants need to have flagged their participation and have signed the RA at least 24 hours before each and every working party. A designated coordinator for each working party.				
Power Tools LOW RISK providing equipment and tools are used appropriately.	Members	Fuel driven as opposed to electric re-chargeable power tools are expressly forbidden. Hand tools should be in good condition, appropriate safety equipment i.e., gloves, safety glasses, hard hats should be used appropriate to the task.				

1st Aid	Members	A participant needs to be designated as the 1 st Aider for the working party. They should have a stocked current 1 st Aid Kit. Participants must be informed who the 1 st Aider is.	
Weather	Members	Appropriate clothing for the activity and conditions. Be aware that the weather will be assessed dynamically and that the activity may be cancelled beforehand or during if deemed appropriate.	
Drowning LOW RISK	Members	Take care on banks especially when slippery; consider a life vest and wading sticks when wading and keep away from deep water – this applies to rivers only as no wading is allowed on Ridgeway Reservoir. Fish with other members where feasible.	
Lightning LOW RISK	Members	Do not shelter under trees during thunderstorms when there is a risk of lightning. Be aware that some tools and equipment may make excellent lightning conductors.	
Power lines LOW RISK	Members	No angling should take place within 30m of power-lines unless there is a physical barrier between your angling position and the power-lines.	
Weil's Disease LOW RISK	Members	Never put wet lines or other items of tackle in your mouth, wear waterproof plasters on cuts or abrasions. There is a possible risk in some waters of infection. Wash hands, use wipes or hand gel before eating. See advice on the Club website.	
Trips/Slips and Falls MEDIUM RISK	Members	Appropriate footwear for the activity is essential. Use the paths, gates and stiles where possible, beware of slippery and uneven ground especially near deep water. Be aware of potential voids between the reservoir walls and the bank. Please take special care where you put your feet.	
Animals LOW RISK	Members	This applies in the main to our rivers. Bulls and even Cows with calves are dangerous and so are Rams. Beware of animals around you and in the fields that you cross. The Tups (Young Rams) used as grass cutters at Ridgeway have been known to frequent the Green Bank by the Hut and the top of the West Dam. They are usually deployed on the South Dam bank.	
Violence & Aggression LOW RISK	Members	All members act as Bailiffs for the Club. If you see untoward activities occurring on our waters, your options are: Politely approach and ask the individuals to stop what they are doing. Phone 101, police non-emergency phone line for the police. Contact a committee member to let them know the issue. Avoid any confrontation.	

		Report all incidents of violence and aggression. Recommendations: Carry a mobile phone if possible. Avoid lone fishing. Keep valuables out of sight if possible.	
--	--	--	--

Please read the above risk assessment. Then sign and date it and return to Secretary, the signature can be electronic, it doesn't need to be hand written.

Signed.....

Date.....