

Skirmish Bristol LTD
Risk assessment: Paintball

Section 1 - about the event, who is doing it, what is being done and the assessor undertaking the review

a. Providers details:

Providers name and contact details:

b. Activity providers details and equipment being used.

Skirmish Bristol Ltd

Down Road, Portishead, BS20 8JX. 0117 935 3300

Equipment:

Paintball Marker

Paintball Goggles

Overalls

Age Range: 12+, or Year 7 at secondary school, under 18's must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Person reviewing this Risk

Assessment:

Robert Mc Cracken

c. Risk Assessment reviewed:

4th September 2016

Reassess:

4th September 2017

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Hazard	Persons Effected	Risk	Control Measures
Slipping/tripping on uneven woodland ground	All	High	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Clear ground of all unnecessary obstacles 2. Brief guests on danger 3. Signpost any particular risks.
Fire/burns	All	Low	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Limit smoking to "safe area" 2. Only industry standard CE approved pyrotechnics to be supplied to over 18's. 3. Any flammable liquids to be stored away from customers 4. Advertise and signpost no pyrotechnics to under 18's. 5. Customer to be briefed on safe use when purchasing pyrotechnics.
Chemicals	Staff	Low	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. No chemicals to be handled by guests. 2. Adhere to COSHH procedures/Display appropriate signage. 3. PPE provided where needed.
Moving parts of machinery	Staff	Low	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Clay pigeon traps to be situated outside guest areas. 2. Only trained staff to approach Clay Pigeon Traps
Heights	All	Low	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Where there is a steep drop there should be adequate railings or barriers. 2. Steps and hand railings fitted for safe mount and dismount. 3. Steps should be monitored to ensure they aren't slippery or damaged. 4. Clearly signpost drops 5. Staff supervising participants at all time, and outline any dangers relating to the playing area at the start of each game in the game briefing.

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Ejection of materials	All	High	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Industry standard Paintball goggles must be worn at all times in the game arena. 2. Guests to be supervised and assisted in the correct wearing of goggles at all times in game arena by a proportion of a minimum of one member of staff to 15 guests. 3. Guests will be encouraged to wear full body coveralls, hats, gloves and scarves at all times in the game arena. 4. No Paintball Markers allowed in safe area, to be enforced by at least one marshal at the “gun rack”. 5. All Paintball markers to be velocity checked at start of day and set below 280 fps 6. All guests are to be briefed on safe practice by a senior member of staff before start of play. 7. No guest will be allowed to touch guns and associated equipment outside the game area, and until they have had safety brief. 8. Sign posting will be provided to enforce the safety rules at appropriate places. 9. A “safe area” will be provided and will be enclosed by at least a 3 metre net sufficient to stop Paintballs. 10. A “zero tolerance” attitude will be taken to guests removing their goggles in the game arena.
Pressure systems	All	Low	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All high pressure bottles have an industry approved burst disk to vent any over pressurized bottles. 2. Bottles are only to be filled from an industry approved fill rig and by an experienced and trained operative. 3. All high pressure systems are to be turned off when not in use. 4. All high pressure equipment is securely locked away from the public. 2. Ensure bottles are in test date - (yearly check) 4. Appropriate hazard signage in place.

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Traffic movements causing: 1. Musculo-skeletal injuries 2. Crushing 3. Trapping 4. Serious injury	All	Medium	Speed in car parking area to be restricted to 10mph. Signs to be erected at entrance to this effect. Operatives using quad bikes to be restricted to 10mph on walkways. Provision to be made for access of emergency vehicles. Ensure emergency action plan, detailing emergency phone and contact numbers and ground location, is prominently displayed in HQ
Electricity	All	Low	1. Make sure there are no publicly accessed power points. 2. Carry out visual inspections as laid down in law. Arrange for PAT testing as laid down in law.
Dust	All	Low	There is no known safety issue with dust here
Fumes	All	Low	There are no known safety issues with fumes here
Manual handling	All	Low	Guests are not to be allowed to move anything heavy.
Poor lighting	All	Medium	Paintball games will stop when a senior member of staff decides lighting or light levels are insufficient
Low temperature	All	Low	Paintball is an out door sport and guests are encouraged to wear appropriate levels of clothing.

All actions have been taken. The staff training is an ongoing and constant task. Some extra signage may be required as winter approaches, and this situation will be monitored by senior staff. Where necessary, any of the above activities, when notified to the management..