

Archery

Location

This activity takes place on a purpose built range that provides a safe enclosed area. Double height Safety backstop netting is hung behind the target bosses.

Equipment

Take down recurve bows in various draw weights are provided along with aluminium arrows to suit bow and archer. An Arm Brace is provided.

COVID-19 Compliance amendments:

Maintaining Social Distancing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Instructor will space out targets and bows on the shooting line and shoot with smaller numbers. Instructor will visually check safety equipment (Arm Brace) and users will be expected to apply this to their own person Group leaders are responsible for ensuring social distancing measures are observed whilst members of the group are waiting to shoot.
Use of equipment – potential to pass on Coronavirus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If possible users will be provided with one arm rest, one set of arrows and an arm brace. They will use this for the duration of their session. Users will only ever collect their own arrows. If due to group numbers sharing of resources is required that the arrows and bows will be wiped using soap and water and/or antiviral spray between users. Users will share the bow/arrow with the same small bubble within the group.
Equipment cleaning – reducing the potential to pass on Coronavirus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All Equipment will be wiped down using soap and water and/or antiviral spray post session. If possible equipment will be quarantined for 72 hours post the session prior to being used again.

Hazard	Hazard Effect	Risk Control Measures
Injury from arrows: Shooting at people.	Penetration wounds Minor to major.	Clear instructions and good group control from the instructor. Awareness of the potential for harm. Establishment of shooting and waiting lines. Procedures established and followed.
Injury from arrows: walking into arrows during collection.	Penetration wounds Minor to major.	Clear instruction on collection procedure. Instructor supervision. Running prohibited.
Equipment failure.	Glass fibre wounds from bow limbs and wood splinters from bow. Whip from string.	Equipment visually checked at each use. Damaged equipment repaired as required or destroyed. 6 monthly inspections are done two times a year, and equipment colour coded for each 6 months.
Poor instruction & leadership.	Bruises from string contact. Muscle strains. Uncontrolled behaviour Indiscriminate shooting	Minimum qualification requirement for instructors. Continuous observations by Centre management and feedback from user groups.
Equipment misuse.	Shooting a bow “dry” without an arrow resulting in bow failure. Playing with arrows.	Equipment never left unattended. Arrows removed from shooting area if activity is suspended for short periods of time. Equipment locked away when not in use.