Woodland Xperiences will minimise risks associated with this activity by using an appropriately competent staff to lead the activity. The staff will use this risk assessment and other associated paperwork as the basis for the safe delivery of the activity. Woodland Xperiences recognises the need to have a dynamic approach to risk assessment and therefore the staff will continually assess the activity as it develops and put into place the necessary actions.

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| **(1)**  **Activity /**  **Area of Concern** | **(2)**  **Hazards Identified** | **(3)**  **Persons at Risk** | **(4)**  **Current Risk Factor**  (high, medium or low) | **(5)**  **Actions to be taken to minimize each risk** | **(6)**  **New Risk Factor**  (high, medium or low) |
| Air Rifles | Impact from pellet | All Participants | High | All participant are provided with protective goggles  The instructor give clear and simple instructions on the rules of the range  At all time’s participants are supervised by a qualified instructor.  Instructor checks that everyone has understood the rules before continuing  Access to the range is controlled. There is a solid barrier between the firing stations and access to the range  Access to pellets is controlled by the instructor  Signs warning people of the danger if they enter the area.  Physical barriers to prevent people walking in to the danger area trolled | Low |
|  | Rifle being stored loaded |  | Low | The instructors check at the end of the sessions that the rifles barrel is clear  All rifles are stored in the broken position | Low |
|  | Loading the Rifle (Danger of loading whilst pointing at another person) | User | High | Instructor to give clear demonstration and instructions on the safe way in which to load the rifle  Instructor to supervise whilst participant are loading their rifles  Participants told not to put their finger near the trigger when loading the rifle  Number of people at the firing points controlled by the instructor | Low |
|  | Crushed fingers | User | Medium | Instructor demonstrates where participants are to put their hands when they are loading the rifle  Instructor to supervise to make sure they are following the instructions | Low |
|  | Over shoots and side shoots | All Participants | High | Participants given clear instruction on the direction of shooting.  Range perimeter in sound condition  Physical Stop behind targets to stop stray pellets. | Low |
| Covid19 | Cross contamination | All Participants | High | Participants and Staff to wear face mask and or gloves where safely possible.  Safe distancing of 2m when safely possible.  Masks to be worn when shooting  Hands washed prior to shooting  Cheek to be wiped clean prior to shooting | Med |
| Mental Health | All Activities | All Participants | Low | All beneficiaries to agree and sign consent/contract.  During centre location ensure MH consultant or Member of Location staff present during activities.  All Staff to get to know beneficiaries and triggers if possible.  During remote locations off site utilise consultant.  Sit/Stop Radio for assistance.  All eventualities to be documented. | Low |

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