

Rifle Shooting

Name of Section or Activity (and version number)	Waddecar Scout Activity Centre Rifle Shooting V2023-01	Date of risk assessment	14 th January 2023	Review Date	January 2024	Name and Role of who undertook this risk assessment	Damian King Centre Manager NSRA YPS Tutor
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Hazard Identified? / Risks from it?	Who is at risk?	How are the risks already controlled? What extra controls are needed?
Hazard – something that may cause harm or damage. Risk – the chance of it happening.	Young people, Leaders, Visitors?	Controls – Ways of making the activity safer by removing or reducing the risk from it. For example - you might use a different piece of equipment, or you might change the way the activity is carried out.
Impact from pellet – hit by pellet	All	Range complies with NSRA safety specifications. Leader in charge must hold appropriate qualification. Appropriately qualified leader to assume the role of Range Safety Officer and is responsible for all aspects of safety. The activity is to be halted immediately if any person or animal strays into the vicinity of the range. Participants to shoot from behind the designated shooting line. Spectators must remain seated in the waiting area or outside the range perimeter. Any suspected dangerous behaviour to be controlled immediately.
Ricochet from pellet – hit by pellet.	All	Range is designed and set up to ensure that pellets don't bounce back. Any ricochet reaching close to the bench must be reported to Waddecar Management.
Trapped hand in the breach when cocking and loading rifle – cut or bruised hand	Participant	All participants to be properly briefed prior to the start of the activity. Instructor to cock and load the rifles for participants under 10 years old or for anybody who requires additional assistance.
Equipment failure – injured by equipment	All	Equipment checked at regular intervals and recorded by a competent person. All equipment is serviced annually. Equipment checked prior to every use. All damage reported to Waddecar Centre Management.
Unauthorised use – injured by equipment	All	Equipment is kept in a locked store when not in use. Equipment to be returned to the Activity Store at the end of each session. Rifles and pellets never to be left unattended.

Completed by	Name, Damian King Role / level: Waddecar Centre Manager Date; 14 th January 2023	Checked by Line Manager	Name, Role / level Date
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Additional information can be found in the [Safety Checklist for Leaders](https://scouts.org.uk/safety) and other information at scouts.org.uk/safety