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| **Name of Section or Activity (and version number)** | Waddecar Scout Activity Centre Rifle Shooting  V2025-01 | **Date of risk assessment** | **9th January 2025** | **Review Date** | **January 2026** | **Name and Role of who undertook this risk assessment** | Damian King  Centre Manager  NSRA YPS Rifles 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 (see Scouts UK website for list of qualifications)  Appropriately qualified leader to assume the role of Range Safety Officer and is responsible for all aspects of safety.  All partipants to receive a Safety Briefing prior to shooting  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.  Instructor to ensure rifle is always facing down the range. |
| 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.  Eye protection to be worn on the range by all partipants |
| 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 eqiupment | 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 – unjured 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. |
| Unauthorised use – disqualified from shooting | All | All participants to sign a Permission form. |

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| **Completed by** | Name: Damian King  Role / qualification: Waddecar Centre Manager  Date; 9th January 2025 | **Checked by verifier** | Name, Nigel Holmes  Role / qualification: NSRA Instructor/ Waddecar shooting lead  Date 15th January 2025 |