

RISK MATRIX

It is common to use a risk matrix to assist with assessing the risk level of a hazard or activity. Each cell in the matrix gives you an indication of the risk when you decide the likelihood of the risk event occurring and the seriousness of the consequences to an individual or piece of equipment.

An insignificant impact would be something which may require assistance but does not affect the person's ability to continue to participate in the activity.

A minor impact is likely to require steward assistance or intervention but it would be unlikely to affect their ability to continue participating in the event.

A moderate impact would require a person to receive professional assistance such as first aid treatment and would impact on their ability to continue to participate in that activity and may impact negatively on other aspects of their daily life for a short period.

A major impact would be something which required immediate first aid attention and follow up treatment.

A severe impact would be an incident such as major trauma or death.

		E HIGHLY UNLIKELY	D UNLIKELY	C LIKELY	B MODERATE	A LOW
CONSEQUENCE	5 EXTREME	Moderate	High	Very High	Extreme	Extreme
	4 VERY HIGH	Moderate	High	Very High	Very High	Extreme
	3 HIGH	Low	Moderate	High	Very High	Very High
	2 MODERATE	Low	Moderate	Moderate	High	High
	1 LOW	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Moderate