## This Risk Assessment is taken from the Pony Club suggested actions.



Sport /Activity	Riding, Showjumping and stable management	Date of Event	Academic Year 2023-2024
Event	n/a	OS Grid Ref	
Location	Myddelton College Equestrian Centre	What3Words	

Hazard	Who might be injured?	Risk Controls (already in place)	Further Action Required	Allocated Person / Date	Completion Date and Initial
What is the injury? How can the injury occur?	E.g. people (members, volunteers, spectators, etc), animals, vehicles.	What is currently being done to prevent the injury occurring?	What more needs to be done?	Who is responsible for completing the action? What is the planned time frame for this?	Initial and date when action is completed
Layout: Impact between vehicles, Vehicles vs pedestrians, Vehicles vs horses	Students and spectators may become injured if impact occurs between vehicles, pedestrians and/or competitors. Vehicles could be moving too quickly or may not see the pedestrians.	Vehicle free area for pedestrians. Wide horse access route from lorry parking to arena. No-go vehicle areas, no-go horse areas. Pedestrian paths to keep students to.	During operational hours ensure controls and compliance are monitored by Myddelton staff. Local risk controls by site occupier to be enforced.	Appointed person to monitor	
Slip or trip hazards from ground conditions	Students and spectators may be injured from slip or trip injuries while on site.	Ground conditions and any significant slip or trip hazards have been identified and removed or segregated.	During operational hours ensure controls and compliance are monitored.	Appointed person to monitor	

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Impact and crush injuries from falls or contact with horses, including but not limited to riding activity.	Students and spectators may become injured if crush or impact occurs by being kicked, trodden on or crushed by close proximity to a horse.	It is the riders/handlers responsibility to ensure their horse is under control at all times.  Fences surround the arenas no spectators are allowed within the fenced area while the activity is ongoing.  Pedestrians stood in close proximity to horses must be responsible for their own safety and the possibility of crush from hoof to foot contact.  Pedestrians and handlers should avoid standing directly behind horses.  Any horses that are known to kick must wear a red ribbon in the tail.  All riders must wear an approved riding hat at all times when mounted.  Congestion building up with horses around entrances to the arena must be monitored and riders/handlers will be asked to move away to create space.  It is the parent/rider/handler responsibility to ensure all horse tack is safe, sound, secure and fits correctly.  Arenas are to be monitored by appointed person who can seek assistance in the event of an accident.	During operational hours ensure controls and compliance are monitored.	Appointed person to monitor	

Impact or crush injury when using the arena facility and activity equipment.	Impact or fall injury due to inadequate facility or incorrect equipment used in riding activities.	Equipment checked before each lesson as required. Arena and equipment are changed and altered based on activities and rider abilities by a competent instructor. Surface Conditions are monitored and are safe. Any other requirements from the site occupier are taken into account. Arenas are to be monitored by appointed person who can seek assistance in the event of an accident.	Equipment to be checked by each instructor prior to each riders use. Any damaged equipment reported immediately and remove from use if required. Appointed person will check the arenas prior to activity and during the lesson. Manager and parent to monitor rider ability and surface conditions. Local risk controls by site occupier to be enforced.	Appointed person to monitor.	
Impact and crush injuries from loose horses.	Students, members of the public and spectators may become injured if impact occurs between them and a loose horse.	In the case of a loose horse, a warning of 'LOOSE HORSE' must be shouted and action taken immediately to prevent the horse escaping further onto the school site. Horses will be penned appropriately.  Where possible physical barriers or gates must be in place to prevent loose horses reaching a public road.  When not being ridden horses will be kept in a secure pen or tied to a fixed point.	All attendees must be aware to attempt to prevent a loose horse reaching the road if a shout of 'LOOSE HORSE' is heard. If possible ensure access gate is closed during riding activities.  During operational hours ensure controls and compliance are monitored.	Appointed person to monitor	

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Injuries to young and inexperienced riders due to inability to control horse.	Students and spectators may become injured if impact occurs between them and a horse or the rider falls from the horse.	Direct supervision as required. Appointed person/parent to brief instructors before start of a lesson. Parent/ guardian/Instructor must ensure activity is suitable for the ability of the rider. Move riders in group sessions not suitable for their ability or pony. Parent / helper assistance for younger / novice riders if needed. Communication methods agreed. Facilities and equipment suitable for each rider's ability.	Manager, parent, and instructors must ensure each activity is suitable for the ability of the rider. Instructors should have up-to-date competence certificates, DBS, Safeguarding and First Aid, Mobile phones charged and available. Emergency procedure in place.	Manager officials to monitor competence.  Appointed person to monitor.	
Crush or impact from use of mobile machinery.	Students and spectators may be injured from contact with mobile machinery such as tractors. Horses may also be injured depending on where the machinery was being operated.	Machinery must not be operated near children and horses at any time.  Machinery must only be operated by competent operators.  All machinery must be operated in a clear working area.	During operational hours ensure controls and compliance are monitored.	Appointed person to monitor	
Emergency vehicles in pedestrian areas: Impact with vehicles, pedestrians and horses.	Students and spectators may become harmed if official emergency vehicles are travelling too quickly, they may collide with pedestrians and injure them.	Limit number of vehicles, designated routes, designated pedestrian and horse movement areas.  Emergency vehicles attending must be shown the correct access route and warned of the number of pedestrians on site.  Area monitored by appointed person/parents/instructors who can seek assistance in the event of an accident.	During operational hours ensure controls and compliance are monitored.	Appointed person to monitor	

Injury severity being increased due to slow or delayed first aid treatment.	Students, spectators may have the severity of any injuries received increased by slow or delayed first aid provision.	Competent qualified first aiders will be present on site. This information can be found in the First Aid Policy located in the cabin.  The first aiders will have adequate amounts of the correct type of first aid provision.  Suitable medical helicopter landing areas are available.  Mobile phone signal or land line available.	None	Appointed person to monitor	
Impact or impalement injuries from contact with, fencing, stakes and roping:	Students, spectators, and horses can become injured by contact with, fencing, stakes and roping by getting too close to them or tripping over them.	All ring fence posts are to be an approved type with a large enough diameter to prevent impalement if a rider falls onto the post.  Unprotected metal posts are not to be used.  Rope is to be high contrast in colour to provide a good contrast against the background to make it visible.  Fence posts to be secured adequately.	None	Appointed person to monitor	
Impact injury due to contact with cable used for support of overhead power line posts.	Horses and pedestrians may slip or fall due to tripping or contact with overhead power line post supporting ground cables.	Cables fenced off to eliminate contact. Barriers used to highlight presence of cable and prevent contact.	None	Appointed person	
Adverse weather conditions impacting rider or equine wellbeing: visibility, heat stroke, dehydration, hypothermia.	Horse, rider, spectators, instructors.	Visibility during a lesson may be impacted, guidance on what to do in these circumstances given in lesson briefing. Hot temperatures could impact on the rider and equines welfare and health, parent/ guardian can ensure water available.  Cold, wet, windy and rain/ snowy days can impact visibility, result in hypothermia.  To mitigate riders advised of appropriate clothing for rider and equine alike, and monitored throughout lessons. Additional clothing/ dry clothing may be provided as necessary for rider or equine.  Lesson may be cancelled due to weather conditions, if deemed unsafe to continue by manager/instructor.	During operational hours ensure controls and compliance are monitored.	Appointed person to monitor.	

Equine: bio security: horses could become ill whilst at the event and need medical care	Horses and ponies.	All horses and ponies on the yard will meet the vaccination requirements. Stables will be thoroughly cleaned between uses. A vet will be available support, wherever possible, with medical needs. A vet will be on call, out of hours. Relevant veterinary advice will be sought based on the situation and need to ensure welfare of the equines.	During operational hours ensure controls and compliance are monitored.	Appointed person to monitor.	
Harm to an individual's rights, wellbeing and mental/ physical being	Manager, students, parents, and instructors.	Myddelton College has members of staff to support with safeguarding of all involved at our activities. The Myddelton College Safeguarding Policy outlines the processes which should be adhered to (full details). Those who regularly come into contact with students, e.g Coaches or those in a position of responsibility, must meet compliance checks. This is termed as regulated activity/ work and is covered in the Safer Recruitment Policies.  Coaches level of supervision is determined by their qualifications (full details).  Camps, Competitions, Residentials and excursions are carried out in line with guidance, including provision of supervision and ratios of staffing.  Members, parents, guardians, volunteers and officials adhere to the respective Code of Conduct and steps are taken should this not be followed.  All measures identified in the Common Room Handbook are adhered to, including first aid and accident reporting.  Members medical needs are identified through medical consent forms and steps agreed with the parent/ guardian and nominated person to administer and store medication including record keeping.  Myddelton's Drugs and Alcohol Policy is adhered to.	A named safeguarding lead is contactable at any time. Monitor and ensure compliance.	Appointed person to monitor.	

Harm due to medical treatment of equine. Injury could be crush, cut, bruise and glancing blow.	Students,staff, parents, guardians,	All incidents are recorded in line with the school's procedures. First Aid Provision is in place and attendees are aware of how to contact First Aid. On site first aid will be alerted that there is an injured equine and those attending may need assistance. A suitable location for the treatment of equines has been identified prior to a lesson. Appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is worn to aid treatment of the equine. Where necessary PPE meets the required safety standard. Treatment is only administered by/ with approval of the owner. The equine is handled during treatment by suitable adult(s) and instructions are followed. The injury is assessed and the severity. Veterinary assistance is sought as needed. Appropriate medical treatment administered/ stored in line with item instructions and COSHH guidance supplied with the product.	Monitor and ensure compliance.	Appointed person to monitor.	
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