

Walton Cricket Club Risk Assessment

<u>Risk</u>	<u>Persons or property at risk</u>	<u>Level of risk (high, medium or low)</u>	<u>Action taken from club</u>
Injury during matches	Players, umpires, public	Medium	Matches are properly regulated. At least one first aider is on sight at all times in case of injury. First aid kit is regularly checked and restocked and easily accessible during matches.
Head injuries	Players, junior players, umpires and public	Medium	All players are advised to wear helmets when they bat (both playing and nets practise). Players choosing not to do so take responsibility for their own safety. Anyone under the age of 18 must wear a helmet or cannot play.
Tripping, slipping or being hit by the ball due to bumpy or wet outdoor playing surface	Players, umpires, public	Low	Maintain playing surface in good condition. Check that the playing area is safe and free from obstacles and spectators are at a safe distance. Decision made by Umpires in conjunction with the captains as whether playing the game is safe or not.
Player with a medical condition	Players	Low	Check that the attendance register is up to date with medical information and contact details are available. Participants are encouraged to disclose any injuries or medical conditions before activity starts. Players play at their own risk if medical condition is not disclosed.
Players getting injured because they have not warmed up correctly.	Players	Low	Participants encouraged to warm up and cool down and to wear appropriate clothing.
Lack of suitable equipment	Players	Low	Players to provide own appropriate protective equipment (pads, box, gloves and optional helmet). Players choose not to wear equipment at their own risk.

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Wicket Keeping Injuries from being close to the wicket for spin bowlers/medium paced bowlers, being hit by the ball either from a top edge from a batsman or by not catching the ball. Wicketkeeper losing ball in the sun.	Players	Low	Wicket keeper to wear correct protective equipment. Wicket keeper to wear a sunhat/cap or sunglasses. Wicket keeper to stand up to the wicket where competent.
Dehydration	Players	Low	Children to have regular drinks breaks, more on hot days. Players will be encouraged to keep hydrated. If player is struggling, move to cooler conditions and seek medical attention, if required.
Sunburn	Players	Low	Players encouraged to apply sun cream regularly and to wear a hat.
Jewellery	Players	Low	Players are advised to remove all jewellery when playing and wear it at their own risk.
Spectators hit by ball	Visitors and members	Low	Members of the public are not to go onto the playing field. Players to warn members of the public if the ball is headed towards them. Spectators are advised not to have their back to the game and to keep an eye on what is going on at all times.
Injury during net practice	Players, junior players, members	Low	Net practice properly supervised. Club Committee to ensure that the coach / instructor is qualified and insured and where applicable a DBS is completed and verified by the appropriate authorities. Nets are regularly maintained and have recently (March 2017) been updated and secured to allow they are fully safe. Members of the public are not to use the nets without permission or supervision. There are signs up to state this.

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Safeguarding of young players	Young players	Low	The Club has adopted the ECB "Safe Hands" policy and follows its guidance. Paul Clewes is our trained Welfare Officer and has up to date training. All coaches to have up to date DBS checks. Coaches advised not to be alone with children and to have another child or adult present at all times.
Use of motorised heavy roller and mowing equipment	Groundsmen	Low	Ensure due care with motorised heavy roller and mowing equipment. Equipment to be used by experienced groundsmen.
Maintenance of equipment	Groundsmen	Low	Equipment is subject to a regular, routine servicing and maintenance programme. Records of maintenance kept.
Stones/glass thrown up	Groundsmen (risk to equipment and building too)	Low	Groundsman to check area for glass/stones before cutting grass. Lawn mowers have lawn guards fitted.
Access for emergency vehicles	Players. Members and visitors	Low	Access available to emergency vehicles. On-site telephone/ mobile telephone. Nearest hospital - Burton-On-Trent, Staffordshire.
Electricity	Players, visitors and members	Low	The electrical installation, including appropriate trip switches and RCD safety devices are inspected on a regular basis in accordance with the regulations and licensing requirements. Certification records are held by the secretary. PAT (portable appliance testing) is carried out on an annual basis, where necessary.
Fire	Players, members and visitors	Medium	The pavilion is a no smoking area. The premises are inspected by the fire authorities on a regular basis to ensure compliance with the appropriate regulations. As part of the fire precautions fire extinguishers are provided at agreed points. These are inspected annually. Certification records are held by the secretary. Fire exits are clear at all times to allow for an easy escape. Considered fire hazards are the kitchen area, all electric outlets and outdoor barbeque.

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Food hygiene	Players, members and visitors	Low	The premises include a kitchen which complies with the food hygiene regulations as applied by the local authority.
Knives	Users of the kitchen	Low	Children to be kept out of the kitchen. Adults use kitchen equipment at their own risk. First aid kit in the kitchen.
Hazardous Substances	Players, members and visitors	Low	Cleaning materials are stored safely and used by a small number of adults. Materials used by the Groundsman are stored safely in the garage.
Heights (ladders, scaffolding etc)	Players, members and visitors	Low	Working from ladders is only permitted when at least two people are present and able to assist each other.
Lone working	Groundsman and other members	Low	The Groundsman is the only person who regularly works on his own. He carries a mobile phone in case of emergencies.
Slipping, tripping and falling	Players, members and visitors	Low	The pavilion is well maintained and cleaned on a regular basis. Spillages are cleaned promptly. Outside patio area is regularly swept to prevent tripping and stairs to the pavilion have handrails either side.
Transport	Players, members and visitors	Low	Members to organise their own lifts to games at their own risk. Visitors must be vigilant when walking around to avoid the cars. Children must not play near the cars but do so under parent's supervision. Signs are up to warn drivers that people will be about. People park cars at their own risk and signs are up to enforce this. The club will not take responsibility for cars parked around the ground.
Alcohol consumption	Players, members or visitors	Low	Alcohol consumed on site must be purchased on the bar. Club committee members only to serve behind the bar and customers are not to be served if they are too intoxicated. See licence paperwork for more information.
Falling in the showers	Players	Low	Players to not take a shower if no one else is in the club/around the ground. Non-slip surface to prevent this from happening.