

Water Walkers

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Overall Potential Risk Level:
Moderate Risk

8

Overall Residual Risk Level:
Low Risk

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Org Unit	Doncaster Culture & Leisure Trust -> Hatfield Activity Center
Location	Hatfield outdoor pool
Assessment Date	04/07/2022
Description	Water Walkers
Activity Description	Inflated ball with person inside used as an activity on the pool. 'Zorb' on water
People Exposed	Members of staff, Members of Public Lifeguards Casual Staff
Assessment Conclusion	ACCEPTABLE RISK
Is This An Acceptable Risk?	Yes
Assessor Name	Kelly Nicoll
Next Review	06/07/2023

Hazards And Control Measures

HAZARD DESCRIPTION , HAZARD PHRASES	PERSONS AT RISK, HOW IS PERSON AT RISK	CURRENT CONTROL MEASURES	POTENTIAL RISK FACTOR	ADDITIONAL CONTROL MEASURES	RESIDUAL RISK AFTER CONTROLLED MEASURES
<p>Other (Describe in Hazardous Event Colum) Pre existing conditions</p>	<p>Participants Injuries and illness due to overexertion causing muscle strains or other injuries</p>	<p>Staff Member to ensure a relevant warm-up is carried out prior to the activity starting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Staff Member to ensure participants enter the pool in the waterwalker in a controlled manner. <input type="checkbox"/> Staff member to brief participants to be careful when in the water walker ball, and not to over-exert themselves. <input type="checkbox"/> Staff Member to brief participant on what to do if they wish to end their turn. <input type="checkbox"/> Staff Member to ensure participant has read and understands safety disclaimer before participating in Waterwalkerz. <input type="checkbox"/> Staff Member to double check if any pre-existing medical 	<p style="text-align: center;">6</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Low Risk</p> <p>Severity: 3 - Lost Time</p> <p>Likelihood: 2 - Remote</p>	<p>Disclaimer to be added to briefing about staff</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">3</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Minimum Risk</p> <p>Severity: 3 - Lost Time</p> <p>Likelihood: 1 - Improbable</p>

<p>Other (Describe in Hazardous Event Colum) Safety Equipment</p>	<p>Staff, Participants Incorrectly fitted causing injuries/ drowning</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☐ All PPE should be checked by the Staff Member prior to participants entering the water and must be constantly monitored. ☐ A trained lifeguard will be on duty at all times 	<p style="text-align: center;">4</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Low Risk</p> <p>Severity: 4 - Major</p> <p>Likelihood: 1 - Improbable</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">4</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Low Risk</p> <p>Severity: 4 - Major</p> <p>Likelihood: 1 - Improbable</p>
<p>Other (Describe in Hazardous Event Colum) Equipment</p>	<p>Staff, Participants Injury due to equipment breaking e.g. bruises, cuts and abrasions</p> <p>Misuse of equipment leading to injuries e.g. bruises, cuts and abrasions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ☐ All equipment should be checked by the Staff Member prior to and during the session. ☐ The water walker will be safety checked pre-use and a daily operation form must be completed. ☐ Water walkers and pumps should receive logged safety checks fortnightly in line with operating handbook. Staff Member to brief participants on the correct usage of the equipment. ☐ Staff Member should remain vigilant to ensure participants are using equipment as briefed. ☐ Participants to be adequately spaced out before using equipment. 	<p style="text-align: center;">2</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Minimum Risk</p> <p>Severity: 2 - Minor</p> <p>Likelihood: 1 - Improbable</p>	<p>Equipment to be added to checklists</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">2</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Minimum Risk</p> <p>Severity: 2 - Minor</p> <p>Likelihood: 1 - Improbable</p>

<p>Anti-Social Behaviour & Aggression</p> <p>Slips Trips and Falls Collisions causing bruises, cut and abrasions Concussions</p>	<p>Participants and Staff and Spectators</p> <p>Pushing Collisions</p>	<p>Staff Member to give a safety brief to include no pushing each other into the pool (the Staff Member also must not push participants into the pool).</p> <p>Staff Member to show spectators a safe area to watch from.</p> <p>□ Staff Member to remain vigilant and prevent spectators getting too close to the equipment/ participants/ poolside</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Low Risk</p> <p>Severity: 3 - Lost Time</p> <p>Likelihood: 2 - Remote</p>	<p>Safety briefing to be completed by staff every session to participants</p> <p>Staff to continually monitor the area and give warnings to anyone involved of poor behaviour before excluding them from the session</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Minimum Risk</p> <p>Severity: 3 - Lost Time</p> <p>Likelihood: 1 - Improbable</p>
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<p>Working Close to water</p> <p>Property Damage Potential misuse could lead to drowning</p>	<p>Participants</p> <p>Drowning Soft tissue injuries Cuts and bruises</p>	<p>A trained lifeguard will be on duty at all times</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ The following emergency equipment must be readily at hand: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Long pole □ Lifebuoy with attached rope (length to be at least half the width of the operating area) and/or throwing rope (length to be at least half the width of the operating area) □ Fully stocked first aid kit. □ Staff Member must remain vigilant and remove the Water Walker ball from the water if it becomes damaged. □ Waterwalkerz and pumps should receive logged safety checks fortnightly in line with operating handbook. They should be taken out of action if unsafe to use. □ The water walker will be safety checked pre-use and a daily operation form must be completed. 	<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Moderate Risk</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Severity: 4 - Major</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Likelihood: 2 - Remote</p>	<p>Checks of water walkerz and pumps to be added to checklist both daily when in use and fortnightly as standard</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">4</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Low Risk</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Severity: 4 - Major</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Likelihood: 1 - Improbable</p>
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<p>Working Close to water</p> <p>Contact with moving object Slips Trips and Falls</p>	<p>Participants</p> <p>Collisions causing concussion, bruises or abrasions</p>	<p>Activity to be carried out in designated area away from any other water users.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Operating area must be clearly roped off. <input type="checkbox"/> Staff Member to remain vigilant at all times 	<p style="text-align: center;">4</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Low Risk</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Severity: 2 - Minor</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Likelihood: 2 - Remote</p>	<p>Lifeguard and session ratios to be reviewed dynamically</p> <p>Open water pool to be used for water walkerz ONLY when in session</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">2</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Minimum Risk</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Severity: 2 - Minor</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Likelihood: 1 - Improbable</p>
<p>Other (Describe in Hazardous Event Colum)</p> <p>Water Walker Zip</p>	<p>Participants</p> <p>Faulty zip or misuse of zip causing drowning</p>	<p>Staff member to ensure daily check is done prior to session starting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Staff Member to ensure zip is fully lubricated prior to session start. <input type="checkbox"/> Staff Member to check zip is done up correctly before launch. <input type="checkbox"/> Staff Member to ensure that the Velcro is correctly done up on plastic covering before launch. <input type="checkbox"/> Staff Member to remain vigilant, and hold on to cord at all times. <input type="checkbox"/> Participants deemed to be over 14 stone (13 stone in Canvas product, 12 stone in TUI product) in weight cannot use the water walker. 	<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Moderate Risk</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Severity: 4 - Major</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Likelihood: 2 - Remote</p>	<p>Staff involved to confirm they have seen and understood the safety training.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">4</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Low Risk</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Severity: 4 - Major</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Likelihood: 1 - Improbable</p>

<p>Environmental Conditions</p> <p>Weather</p>	<p>Participants and staff</p> <p>Risk of sunburn, heat exhaustion and dehydration; or hyperthermia during activity</p>	<p>Ensure regular water breaks are taken.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ If it is hot, ensure participants wear sun cream and hats and there is a shaded area available. □ If it is cold, ensure participants are wearing suitable clothing to keep warm. □ Ensure participants only stay inside the ball for a few minutes at most. □ Staff Member to ensure participant has read and understands safety disclaimer before participating in Waterwalkerz. 	<p style="text-align: center;">6</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Low Risk</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Severity: 3 - Lost Time</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Likelihood: 2 - Remote</p>	<p>Lifeguards and staff to have access to sunscreen and other protective equipment.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">3</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Minimum Risk</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Severity: 3 - Lost Time</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Likelihood: 1 - Improbable</p>
<p>Other (Describe in Hazardous Event Colum)</p> <p>Claustrophobia</p>	<p>Participants</p> <p>Panic attack/ short breathed due to participant panicking</p>	<p>Staff Member to brief participants on what to do if they wish to end their turn.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Each ball to be tethered to a rope to allow Staff to monitor and guide Water Walkerz where necessary. - Ratio of 1:2 staff: participants □ Staff Members to remain vigilant of participants wishing to stop the activity. □ Staff Member to be aware of signs participants may exhibit if they suffer from claustrophobia e.g. nervous on entry, unsure whether to participate, panic as they enter water walker, sweating. 	<p style="text-align: center;">4</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Low Risk</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Severity: 2 - Minor</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Likelihood: 2 - Remote</p>	<p>All staff to be briefed on dealing with a panic attack</p> <p>Mental Health First Aiders to be found and trained.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">2</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Minimum Risk</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Severity: 2 - Minor</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Likelihood: 1 - Improbable</p>

<p>Electricity</p> <p>Faulty Pump or misuse of pump causing electrocution</p>	<p>Staff</p> <p>Contact with Electricity</p>	<p>Only staff members operate the pump Staff ensure the pump remains dry at all times Pump should be kept upright (lighter pumps may need to be attached to wooden blocks). The Staff Member must ensure that the pump is tethered to a stable point which is no closer than 2 metres from the water's edge. Plug must have a circuit breaker on it.</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Moderate Risk</p> <p>Severity: 4 - Major</p> <p>Likelihood: 2 - Remote</p>	<p>pump state to be added to checklist</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Low Risk</p> <p>Severity: 4 - Major</p> <p>Likelihood: 1 - Improbable</p>
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