

NSP Junior Grand Prix Risk Assessment

About This Risk Assessment:

North Shields Polytechnic & A.C. Risk Assessment

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Risk Registration Number: 0002

Update History:

Prior RA: 0001	Regular Course	Reviewed	
N/a	New course	n/a	09/09/2018
09/09/18	Regular course	yes	20/09/18
20/09/2018	yes	yes	17/10/2018

Health & safety risks to runners, organisers, spectators, and other park users

E1 – Event Facilities

Item	Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Mitigation
E1.1	Traffic approach routes	Low	Medium	The approach to course is on main artery road between Cullercoats, (in south) and Seaton Sluice (in North); and from West Monkseaton (West) to Spanish City Dome (East).
E1.2	Parking (cars and motor bikes)	Low	Medium	Parking is at owners own risk. There is ample car parking for spectators, officials and runners at club house and start/finish area at Spanish City Dome. However, these are not patrolled therefore there is a potential for damage to be caused to vehicles/motor bikes.
E1.3	Registration & Enquiries	Low	Low	Registration area is inside club house; accessed via footpaths from car park; Hartley Avenue or Marine Avenue. All latest information will be given to runners, organisers and spectators prior to leaving club house on night of the event.

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E1.4	Toilets (Base and/or course)	Low	Low	There are toilet facilities within Beefeater Restaurant, Premier Inn Hotel, or on Watt's slope; all within 50m of start finish area of course. There are toilet facilities within club house.
E1.5	Route to course	Medium	Medium	Runners are escorted from club house to the start/finish area by front and back lead marshals, stopping at each junction and ensuring all runners remain close together.

S1 - Risks to Safety (Weather)

Item	Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Mitigation
S1.1	Lightning causing danger	Low	High	Race director to postpone or cancel the race
S1.2	High Winds causing problems with sand	Low	High	Race director to postpone or cancel the race. If race proceeds, at start remind runners to be careful of on-shore breeze blowing sand onto footpath.
S1.3	Snow/icy conditions underfoot	Low/Medium	High	Race director to postpone, cancel or find alternative route.
S1.4	Rain/drizzle/Inclement weather	High	Medium /Low	Highly likely that runners will experience rain or inclement conditions. Parents and children to decide on participation. Shelter can be offered at Beefeater Restaurant, Premier Inn, and covered area, for runner prior to their start time.

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S2 - Risks to Safety (Obstacles)

Item	Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Mitigation
S2.1	Dog walkers, cyclists and skateboarders causing danger.	Low	Medium	Course marshals will be spread approximately 100m apart around the course to prevent conflict between public path users. Taping will also be used to isolate runners from other path users.
S2.2	Potential puddles	Low	Medium	Advise runners of location of puddles on route. Cones or course marshal to be deployed in front of puddles to prohibit harm being caused to athletes.
S2.3	Non-competitive runners, spectators, and dogs on course near the start and finish line	High	Medium	All dogs to be kept on leads at start and finish area. Course marshals deployed to limit contact.
S2.4	Debris or other items on course (e.g. branches or sand)	Medium	Medium	Course marshals to remove debris from course if safe to do so, or mention the hazard at the pre-run briefing.
S2.5	Frozen water on ramps at various points of course	Medium	High	Use cones for major hazards, or cancel the run. Rock Salt will not be used on any paths due to the high volume of other users of the links.
S2.6	Running in the dark	High	Medium	New lighting has been installed by Council along the route providing lighting on footpath and lower promenade areas. Additional mobile safety lighting will be deployed if deemed necessary. Course marshals to use head torches.
S2.7	Two-way runners	Medium	Medium	Pre-event briefing to remind runners that course is on public footpath. Taping and cones to cordon route from other users. All runners to keep to the left/anti-clockwise except when overtaking.
S2.8	Risk of falling / injury.	Medium	Medium	Pre-event briefing to remind runners to be polite to one-another to prevent pushing at start of event.

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C1 – The Course

Item	Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Mitigation
C1.1	Start – position/straight	Medium	Medium	Pre-event briefing to remind runners to be polite to one-another to prevent pushing at start of event.
C1.2	Finish – position/layout	Medium	Medium	Collision of runners at end of race as battle for positions. Course marshals to ensure filter system in place.
C1.3	Route – significant risks e.g. right hand turns, major junctions, narrow sections etc .	Low	Low	Course has been selected because of high safety levels. For instance, no right hand turns, no crossing major roads, traffic free route, other than cyclists.

A – Additional Risks

Item	Risk	Likelihood	Impact	Mitigation
A1				
A2				
A3				

Person carrying out the Assessment _____ (Name) _____ (Signature)