



British Fencing

Venue.....

Competition.....

Date.....

Significant Hazards

Assessment of Risk

No.	Description of Hazard	Assessment of Risk		
		Low	Med.	High
1	Spectators straying onto Piste area.	*		
2	Injury to fencers during a Bout		*	
3	Tripping over cables.	*		
4	Injury caused by inadequate dress	*		
5	Breaks in poor quality fencing	*		
6	Tripping over Piste.	*		
7	Unskilled competitors.	*		
8	Injury during Warm-Up.	*		
9	Blocking escape routes when laying out Pistes	*		
10	Dangerous play during bouts	*		
11	Injury to spectators	*		

Risk Factor

Definition of Risk

Assessment

Likely/Frequent	<i>Occurs repeatedly/event only to be expected</i>	High
Probable	<i>Not surprised — will happen several times</i>	High
Possible	<i>Could occur sometimes</i>	Med
Remote	<i>Unlikely though conceivable</i>	Low

Effects of Hazards

- Injury to persons or property.
- Injury to fencers, officials and spectators during Competition and warm up.
- Restriction of Fire escape routes.
- Tripping over cabling or equipment.

Actions taken to reduce risks

(Official in Charge) Name:

Action taken

Description

Action by

Hazards addressed

1 Check and agree layout of Salle with Venue Management. OIC 1,9,11

2	Agree Emergency Operations Procedure with Venue Management. OIC	2,3,4,5,6
3	Arrange for First Aid Cover. OIC	2,3,4,5,6
4	Ensure correct certification held by Fencers OIC	7
5	Checking that clothing/mask meets the FIE Standard and is not defective prior to warm-up and throughout the event. (1600N). OIC	4
6	Check all weapons are in good condition prior to Warm-up OIC	5
7	Check that cables are taped down and pistes are correctly laid and cause no tripping hazard at start and throughout competition. OIC	3,6
8	All bouts to be under control of an experienced Referee OIC	10,
9	Set aside an area for spectators suitably positioned clear of Pistes. OIC/Venue Man.	1
10	Set aside area for warm up away from spectators and under supervision of an Official. OIC	8

Maximum number of persons exposed to risk:

SIGNED: (Official in Charge)

DATE:

Risk Assessment Process

Activity/Hazards/Risk

Procedures to minimize an incident

Activity *Break down the event into separate Activities*

- Laying pistes.
- Warm up areas.
- Check in & DT.
- Competition area
- Spectator areas.

Hazards *Are there any hazards in the identified activity?*

- Incident due to Athletes limited experience.
- Safety at the event.
- Damage to property/person by accidents.
- Ditto during loading/malfunctions.
- Unauthorised access by spectators to pistes.
- Action to be followed if Fire Alarm sounds.
- Impeding of Fire Access routes across ranges.

- Tripping/falling over cables etc..

Risk *What is the RISK of an incident?*

- High Risk Occurs Repeatedly/Incident only to be expected.
- Medium Risk Not surprising/It will happen several times.
- Low Risk Could occur sometime.
Unlikely though conceivable.

Actions taken to reduce RISKS *What have we done to reduce RISK?*

Ensure rules are available for all prior to event.

- Display rules outside and in venue.
- Ensure venue is secure.
- Procedure for Fire Emergencies.
- Control entry to venue (**including LOCKED DOORS**).
- Meet site management prior to the event.
- Display all relevant notices.
- Establish First Aid.
- Use experienced Officials.
- Tape all surface of run Cables. (Trip Hazards)

The above hazards and actions are not finite but are an example of the process of Risk Analysis.

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