

## Risk assessment for Foreshore shooting for Leicester Wildfowlers Association

### Activity

Shooting of wildfowl only, on the tidal foreshore of The Wash between Butterwick access and Friskney Sea lane Access, between 1<sup>st</sup> September, and 20<sup>th</sup> February. The activity will be performed by Leicestershire Wildfowlers Association members by agreement with South Linc's Wildfowlers club on a day ticket basis. Shooting will take place during, dawn dusk, daytime and night-time.

	<b>Hazard</b>  Define Hazard	<b>Risk</b>	<b>Persons at Risk</b> Member. Public. Visitors	<b>Severity of Hazard</b> 1- No injury 2- First Aid injury 3-Lost time injury (over 3 days) 4-Major injury disabling disease 5-Death	<b>Likelihood</b> 1 Very unlikely 2 Unlikely 3 Likely 4Very likely 5 Certain/imminent	<b>Risk Rating</b> Severity X likelihood Pre-Control measure
1	Adverse weather conditions fog.	Become disorientated leading to death by drowning.	M/V	5	2	<b>10</b>
2	Adverse weather conditions cold.	Hypothermia.	M/V	5	2	<b>10</b>
3	Normal and exceptional tidal movements (weather conditions can cause exceptional tidal movements).	Risk of drowning.	M/V	5	3	<b>15</b>
4	Handling and use of shotguns.	Negligent discharge, leading to death or wounding.	M/P/V	5	2	<b>10</b>
5	Dogs.	Dog bite.	M/P/V	3	2	<b>6</b>
6	Walking to and from shooting area.	Slips/trips/falls/getting stuck in mud.	M/V	3	4	<b>12</b>

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	<b>Control Measures - Foreshore</b>	<b>Severity</b> 1- No injury 2- First Aid injury 3-Lost time injury (over 3 days) 4-Major injury disabling disease 5-Death	<b>Likelihood</b> 1 Very unlikely 2 Unlikely 3 Likely 4 Very likely 5 Certain Post-control measure	<b>Risk Rating</b> Post-control measure	<b>Risk Reduction</b> Pre-control Risk less Post-control Risk	<b>Result</b> Audit/monitor
	May require action to reduce risk further Will require appropriate level of resources May require considerable resources e.g. Specialist equipment Levels of supervision (consider most effective methods of eliminating and controlling hazard).					
1	All members should carry a compass, smart-phone or GPS, and be conversant in its use. Members are recommended to have a mobile telephone in their possession. Inexperienced new members will be offered advice and accompanied visits as required. All members will be expected to show they are properly equipped for flights and abide by the risk assessment.	5	1	5	5	Monitor
2	Wear and carry appropriate clothing. New members will be advised appropriate clothing as required.	5	1	5	5	Monitor
3	New members will be need, to understand weather forecasts, tide-tables, and moon phases. Advice will be available on how and when the tide will cover the marsh and what weather conditions are likely to affect the tide levels. New members must show an understanding of the weather effect upon tides. Experienced Guides will be made available to new members upon request.	5	1	5	10	Monitor
4	Shotgun kept unloaded until position is reached. Shooting positions will be chosen so that no other person is at risk. New members will have to demonstrate to chaperones that they are conversant with the BASC code of conduct for shotgun shooting.	5	1	5	5	Monitor
5	Dogs under close control.	3	1	3	3	Monitor
6	Carry and use a wading stick. Know your route especially when returning from a flight after dark.	3	1	3	9	Monitor

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