



BELFAST STAR BASKETBALL CLUB – RISK ASSESSMENT

Risk assessment: Basketball training and games

Location: Indoor Courts – Newforge Sports Complex Belfast

Completed by: Michael McDonnell

Date Completed: 09/06/2026

Review Date: 15/09/2027

ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION	Hazard and who affected	Risk Assessment (H-M-L)	Existing Control Measures and Additional Controls Required	In Place YES/ NO	Residual Risk Assessment (H-M-L)	Further Action Required? By When?	Further Action Required? Person Responsible
Player/ Official/ Spectator welfare	Risk of falling on bleachers.	H	Safety barriers are secured at rear and sides of bleachers. Bleacher sections are mechanically secured together and bridging plates utilised.	YES	L	N/a	N/a



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			Bleachers are swept for rubbish before storage and checked before use. Steps are clearly marked.				
	Risk of being injured by ball, slips, trips and falls	H	All basketballs to be stored away when not in use or whilst games are underway. Spectator chairs to be positioned a safe distance away from court. Preference is for spectators to be on the bleachers where possible. Kit bags to be stored beside or behind team	YES	L	N/a	N/a



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			benches, not in front of same.				
Operating Standards re Safeguarding	Risk of safeguarding injury to All participants	H	All staff/coaches to have current enhanced Access NI checks. No person without valid Access NI check to have unrestricted access to children/other vulnerable persons.	YES	L	N/a	N/a
Equipment	Risk of injury to all participants.	H	All equipment to be used to be subject to scrutiny beforehand. If any equipment is found to be faulty then will used and/or removed from availability. No equipment to be used that does not	YES	L	N/a	N/a



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			Fire alarm call points are clearly marked and unobstructed. Facility is always manned by staff. Fire escape doors to be kept clear and not to be obstructed.				
	Availability of first aid Defibrillator	H	Defibrillator is available on wall at entrance corridor to sportshall. Newforge Sports Complex are responsible for maintaining of same. If not present then must be reported to staff as soon as possible.	YES	L	N/a	N/a



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			All coaches/teams to have their own first aid kits. If in doubt seek professional help via 999.				
	Emergency Vehicle Access	H	Emergency to be communicated to security staff at front sangar who will direct emergency vehicles to sports hall at rear of site. In the event of an incident which requires emergency services attendance, nearest fire access door to be utilised in sports hall and emergency	YES	L	N/a	N/a



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			services directed in.				
	Dehydration for all participants	M	Water fountain available in entrance corridor.	YES	L	N/a	N/a
Consideration in set up	Slips, trips and falls	M	Access routes are kept clear. Maintain good lighting. Electrical leads are to be kept tidy and when crossing areas of access, cable protectors to be fitted. On-going cleaning and removal of bottles and waste courtside. Court to be cleaned when required or put out of action if deemed	YES	L	N/a	N/a



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			dangerous by coach/ referee/ venue officer.				

It is the responsibility of all those facilitating the training/playing to bring any activity that they believe may constitute a risk to any member of the Committee for consideration by a Risk Assessor. This risk assessment may be reviewed and amended before review date if circumstances dictate.

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Mr M McDonnell
Assessor

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Chairman