

CARLISLE ANGLING ASSOCIATION RISK ASSESSMENT

ACTIVITY	HAZARD	HAZARD EFFECT	MINIMISE RISK BY	SEVERITY	LIKELEHOOD	TOTAL
Fishing outdoors	Sunlight	Sunburn	Wear sun cream/block, even when cloudy Wear a sunhat and sunglasses to protect eyes from glare.	1	2	2
Fishing outdoors	Insects	Bites and stings	Keep well clear of wasp, hornet nests and beehives. Wear insect repellent to deter biting bugs.	1	2	2
Fishing outdoors	Lyme's disease from ticks	Potential illness	Check body for ticks immediately after returning from the field. Remove any ticks and swab the area with alcohol. Report any unexplained fever or rash at the bite site to your doctor as soon as possible.	2	3	6
Walking to fishing pools/streams	Poor or extreme weather conditions	Potential injury/illness	Take appropriate warm outdoor clothing, footwear and	3	2	6

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			waterproofs. Carry a mobile telephone			
Walking to fishing pools/streams	Falling or slipping on slippery, unstable and uneven ground	Potential injury.	Plan the route, watch footing and wear adequate footwear. Carry mobile phone.	3	2	6
Walking to fishing pools/streams	Attack by farm animals	Potential injury	Avoid fields with cows and young calves, bulls and rams.	3	2	6
Fishing or sampling rivers, streams,	Falling into water	Drowning/hypothermia	Be careful and watch your footing in the water and on the riverbanks. Beware of undercut banks and steep drop-offs. Do not enter the water if flows are very high. Be aware of slippery rocks and hazards, particularly in poor weather conditions. In rivers, be aware of flash flooding. Wear suitable	5	2	10

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			waterproof clothing. A life preserver is always recommended.			
Fishing or sampling rivers, streams,	Contracting Weil's disease or infectious hepatitis	Potential illness	Wash your hands as soon as possible after fishing or sampling and before eating, drinking or smoking. Cover all wounds with waterproof plasters and wash all new cuts with alcohol before covering with a waterproof plaster. Report all instances of unexplained fever to your doctor	3	2	6
Fishing or sampling rivers, streams,	Medical conditions	Physical weakness endangering yourself and others Minor cuts and abrasions	Your duty of care to advise others of medical conditions. Be sure to advise others of what to look out for and what to do Carry First Aid kit or	5	2	10

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			medication appropriate to your condition			
Fishing in general	Electrocution	Severe burns or Death	Do not fish or walk with a fishing rod in the air during electrical storms. Always keep well clear of overhead power lines	5	2	10
Fishing in general	Casting and handling fishing tackle	Cuts and abrasions	Beware fishing hooks are sharp and lines can cut deep. Keep well clear of others that are casting. If you need to approach others that are casting make them aware of your presence as you approach. Always where glasses to protect your eyes.	2	2	4
Identifying invertebrates in collecting trays outdoors	Contracting Weil's disease or infectious hepatitis	Potential illness	Wash your hands as soon as possible after working with samples and always before	3	2	6

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Carrying out Honorary Bailiff duties such as licence checking	Physical violence, assault. Working in the vicinity of deep water.	Physical harm and injury. Drowning	Work in pairs/teams if appropriate. Carry a mobile telephone with the Police and CAA contact numbers stored for quick calling. Never put yourself in physical danger – walk away if you feel threatened. Attend necessary training and regular team meetings.	5	2	10

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			Report serious incidents to committee members so appropriate action can be taken to prevent re-occurrence. Wear appropriate clothing to prevent slips/trips in to water.			
Riverbank clearance/trimming	Use of tools, falling or slipping on slippery, unstable and uneven ground. Giant Hog Weed	Potential injury Severe skin irritation.	Local assessment of area and conditions on day work commences. Protective clothing supplied and to be used at all times. Appropriate footwear to be worn. If Hog Weed identified in an area it should be reported to the committee for appropriate removal/spraying.	3	3	9
ASSESSED BY	POSITION	DATE	NEXT REVIEW DATE			

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NIGEL AUSTIN	HONORARY SECRETARY	JULY 2014	JULY 2015			
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