

Fishbourne Romans FC - Risk Assessment: 2017

HAZARD	CONTROLS MEASURES IN PLACE	RISK FACTOR	FURTHER CONTROL MEASURES
Child protection	DBS checked coaches. Coaching takes place in view of parents. Photography permitted but not during tournament day. Consent forms available.		
<p>Goalposts (portable)</p> <p>Danger of collapsing in play</p> <p>Putting up and taking down of goals</p> <p>Injuries from metal hooks used to secure goal nets (fixed goals)</p>	<p>Goalposts when set out on pitch should be checked by the coach before each session.</p> <p>Portable goals must be anchored to ground or weighted, when in use, in accordance with FA and British Standards Institute advice.</p> <p>Larger metal goal posts in the higher age groups to be moved/erected by at least two people, preferably adults and if by juniors min. 14+ years and of suitable size, strength and maturity.</p> <p>Good communication/coordination is vital when setting and taking down goals particularly when folding/unfolding support legs when the goals are unstable as this is the key moment where toppling can occur.</p> <p>Care must be taken when carrying goals to avoid manual handling injury to operatives and impact injury to others still on the field. Give clear signals to stand clear especially with excitable children at play.</p> <p>On returning goals to containers ensure that they are lent against containers without risk of falling and secure with chains. Chains must be locked before leaving goals unattended</p> <p>Parents to assist only under direction of coaches.</p> <p>Metal cup hooks are only in place on the cross bar, and out of reach of any child; children below the age of 16 are not allowed to put up nets; adults are advised of the potential danger of the metal hooks ie catching rings on fingers</p>	<p>Medium/high</p> <p>Medium/high</p> <p>Medium/high</p> <p>Medium/high</p>	<p>We follow FA and BSI guidelines when purchasing goal posts</p>
Weather extremes	Pitch inspector to call the session off in extreme weather conditions. The interests and safety of the children are paramount, together with consideration for any young children and spectators.	Low/Medium	
General state of the pitch	Coach to check state of pitch pre-session and clear any dog foul and deal with any hazards such as foreign objects. Plastic bags available to collect dog mess. Signage going stating no dogs on the playing surfaces (pitches).	Medium/high	
<p>Balls</p> <p>Too hard</p> <p>damaged (peeling leather)</p>	<p>Balls pumped to the appropriate pressure. Coaches check this at the start, and throughout the game. Heading of the ball introduced to 3rd group upwards and in a safe controlled manner-close range, short duration practices. Balls are thrown away when the leather peels off.</p>	Low	

Footwear Inappropriate footwear for conditions (danger of slipping/risk of injury) sharp studs	Children wear appropriate footwear and shin pads available at cost to borrow/buy. Boot exchange also available.	Low	
Jewellery	All jewellery has to be removed or taped up before a session. Parents/coaches checks this.	Low	
Conduct of players, officials, spectators Dangerous play/physical violence; Abusive language Threatening behaviour Inappropriate comment or action	Coaches decisions are final and players' parents should respect this or face removal if behaviour is deemed to be unacceptable. Groups arranged by age/ability to avoid clashes between players of unequal size/strength.	Medium	
Physical injuries from normal play	Players should warm up and cool down properly before and after matches and training sessions. There is access to an adequately stocked first aid kit, and a qualified first aider on site during play Players with injuries or medical complaints should let these be known to their coach. Players must wear shin pads First aider available	Medium	Basic insurance cover is provided
Dehydration/Exhaustion	Drinks are provided by individual players Drinks are also available for purchase Regular drink stops Sun screen and caps recommended	Medium	
Cold weather	Children to wear appropriate layers, hats and gloves as necessary.	Low	
Tea Bar	Visual safety check on electrical devises carried out before each use. Hot water urn set away from pitches. Consider Hot Water sign.	Low	

The Club Risk Assessment is discussed at the Annual General Meeting.