Risk Assessment

Arkenfield Stables, Lowdham Road, Gunthorpe, Notts, NG147ER

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Hazard (the danger)	Current Risk(high , medium, low)	Who is at risk?	Current Steps taken to reduce risk(e.g. care, helpers, signs)	Further steps required to reduce risk where not currently adequately controlled
Arena Surface – e.g. is there a deep or soft area where horses may be prone to slipping or tripping. Protrusions and equipment Enclosed arena with closed doors/gates. Blocked Access & Egress	Low Medium Low	Horses Riders	 Daily arena inspection. Arena Check for holes & protrusions before commencing including clear access and egress. Surface rolled/harrowed. Remove all equipment not in use. Close Doors/gates at all times, access clear. 	Instructors trained in carrying out risk assessments
Horseball Goal of the appropriate height with protection. If inflatable horseball barriers are used, all electrical equipment must be PAT tested with appropriate fittings and covered wires.	Low High	Horses Riders	Goal protection in use Annual PAT testing of equipment Rubber matting for covering electrical wires	If electrical equipment is not tested then substitute the inflatable barriers with jump poles on the floor.

Jump Equipment (stands and poles) must be safely stored and in good repair	Low	Horses Riders	Jumps and poles stored out of the arena when not in use	Qualified instructors used for coaching jumping lessons
Jump Cups must be fit for purpose and removed from the stands when not in use and placed in a safe storage bin	Medium		Jump Cups stored out of the arena in a bin	No liveries or clients to work over jumps in the fields without supervision or instruction.
Horse Injuries Potential danger from ill fitting and broken saddlery in use	Low	Horses Riders	Bandages and gamgee, or boots and over reach boots protecting all 4 legs. For Horseball, lungeing and Jumping	All tack checked during local authority licence inspection
	LOW		Instructors carry out tack check for stitching, fitting of saddle, bridle, martingale (and pick – up strap for horseball)	Riding school tack checked during regular cleaning
Injury from jewellery, falls and contact with other riders during horseball.	Medium	Riders	All jewellery must be removed; if it cannot be removed then it must be covered well with sticking plaster.	Rules of the School Displayed on Site
			Riders are advised to use a back protector for horseball and jumping.	
			European Standard helmet and correct footwear used	

Fire	Medium	Riders, Horses	Fire Appliances available and in date. Fire Alarm available and Instructions displayed	Emergency Procedures Displayed on site First Aider List Displayed on site
Accidents and injuries	High	Riders Horses	Accident Book on site Trained First Aiders Available First Aid Kit Available	Veterinary Contact Details Displayed on Site. First Aiders list displayed Qualified Staff used for coaching No lone hacking.