

EPISKOPI HASH HOUSE HARRIERS - RISK ASSESSMENT May 2020

Definitions:					
Hash - A run or walk following a prepared trail (marked using coloured flour); Check - marked point where trail diverges;					
RV - the start and finish point of the Hash; Hashers - all runners and walkers; Hares - the members who lay the trail and then control the participants					
HAZARDS	WHO IS AT RISK	CONTROL MEASURES	RISK RATING	ADDITIONAL CONTROLS	RESIDUAL RISK RATING
In area to be used: Uneven ground, uneven surfaces, slopes/steps, tree roots/branches vegetation (prickly/stinging), wire/ ruined fences, streams in water, mud snakes	All runners and walkers	Hares to choose suitable terrain and inform all hashers of any hazards prior to the Hash. At least one Hare on both run and walk to carry a mobile telephone and inform other of his number	1 x Low	First Aid Kit to be available at RV	
Adverse weather: Wet/cold weather - increased slip hazard and mild hypothermia	All runners and walkers	Hares to advise all runners and walkers of the appropriate conditions and hazards	1 x Low	Wet/cold - advise hashers to dress for the conditions and have a change of clothes	
Very hot weather - dehydration hazard	All runners and walkers	Hares to advise all runners and walkers of the appropriate conditions and hazards		Hot - advise hashers to carry water and ensure water is available at the RV	
Hares getting lost with group:	All runners and walkers	Hares to lay trail beforehand and to familiarise themselves with terrain and way back to RV	1 x Low	Run and Walking Hares to know route of the other run/walk	
Lost runners/walkers:	All runners and walkers	Hares to encourage mustering at Checks where front runners/walkers wait for slower Hashers & a physical count takes place	1 x Low	If Hasher not accounted for, hares to note where last seen, and then organise search party	
Animals: Members dogs - tripping up hashers or disturbing farm animals e.g., goats, sheep, chickens	All runners and walkers	All participants to be responsible for the strict control of their dogs	1 x Low	Dog owners to carry leads with them at all times	
Farm animals - disturbing during runs	Farm animals	All runners and walkers are to give due consideration to all animals they encounter on a Hash - runners are to walk when in the close proximity of animals	1 x Low		
Hashing in the dark:	All runners and walkers	Running in the dark is not a normal activity of this Hash but, when it does occur, all Hashers are to carry torches and maintain a "buddy-buddy" system		There will be no night runs during 2019 - 2020	
Crossing or Following Roads:	All runners and walkers	Normally Hashes in Cyprus do not cross or use roads but, where this is inevitable, hares to advise and control the Hashers	1 x Low		
COVID-19:	All runners and walkers	No more than 10 people in a group. Each hasher must maintain 2 m between other members at all times.	1 x Medium	See additional guidelines to be followed in separate publication: " Hash Guidelines Following Covid-19 Lockdown " 29 May 2020.	

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