

# Launceston Anglers Association

## RISK ASSESSMENT

### River & Bank Work Visits

Hazard	Risk	Person/s	Control Risk avoidance or minimise	Responsibility
<i>What are the hazards?</i>	<i>What is the risk?</i>	<i>Who is at risk?</i>	<i>Action: Risk control measures</i>	<i>Action: Who will implement controls</i>
COVID-19	Infection/illness, spreading the disease	All people on site to include LAA members, landowner, contractor, visitors or volunteers, and the general public.	<p>Plan for the minimum number of people needed to be on site to operate safely and effectively.</p> <p>Travel by separate vehicles if requested.</p> <p>Keep hand gel/handwashing kit in car and wash hands on arrival and when leaving site.</p> <p>Maintain 2m social distancing wherever possible.</p> <p>Avoid touching any surface (gates, stiles etc.).</p> <p>Where possible use own tools / equipment and do not share with others. Wipe clean after use.</p> <p>Consider face masks and gloves (however, as per government guidance it is noted the role of PPE in providing additional protection is extremely limited)</p> <p>Consider displaying signage to inform the general public you are undertaking outdoor work and to maintain social distancing.</p> <p>If you have mild symptoms (e.g. cough or mild fever, or a change, or loss of, your normal sense of taste and smell) inform LAA Chairperson and return home to self-isolate immediately, as in line with government guidance.</p>	LAA members

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Slips trips and falls	Injury	LAA members, Land owner, Contractor, Visitors or Volunteers	Ensure correct footwear and appropriate clothing. First Aid trained and Kit available. Mobile phone available.	LAA members
Lone working	Accident, injury and death. Abuse.	LAA members, Land owner, Contractor, Visitors or Volunteers	Avoid working alone if possible. Ensure more vulnerable people do not work alone. Implement buddy system for lone working as appropriate. Plan work route and permissions to inform buddy of movements. First Aid kit and mobile phone available. If feel threatened or abused: move away.	LAA members
Farm machinery	Injury and death. Property damage.	LAA members, Land owner, Contractor, Visitors or Volunteers	Ensure correct training and appropriately experienced staff only. Observe safety notices. Do not offer to drive or operate machinery. First Aid kit available. Mobile phone available. Check farm access before entering and be aware of operations. Move away from operating machinery if appropriate.	LAA members
Chemicals	Injury	LAA members, Land owner, Contractor, Visitors or Volunteers	Do not handle chemicals without having seen the MSDS (Material Safety Data Sheet) and using the correct safety equipment and precautions. First Aid trained and Kit available.	LAA members

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Farm animals	Injury and death.	LAA members, Land owner, Contractor, Visitors or Volunteers	Ask owner/tenant if there are any animal risks. Observe safety notices. Beware particularly of bulls, cows with calves, rams, dogs and horses. First Aid Kit available. Mobile phone available.	LAA members
Accessing rivers	Drowning. Water borne diseases.	LAA members, Land owner, Contractor, Visitors or Volunteers	Minimise access into water and conduct survey from banks in the main. Avoid rivers in spate conditions, check forecasts and plan appropriately. Wear suitable PPE for the job and conditions. Cover cuts and keep clean. Wash hands after sampling. Awareness of Weil's disease, ensure staff fully up to date on immunisations (e.g. Tetanus)	LAA members
Inclement weather	Sunburn, exposure, flood.	LAA members, Land owner, Contractor, Visitors or Volunteers	Avoid extreme weather events. Ensure appropriate clothing is supplied. First Aid kit available. Sunscreen. Check weather forecast and plan appropriately.	LAA members
Sudden illness	Illness.	LAA members, Land owner, Contractor, Visitors or Volunteers	Ensure First Aid kit is available. Mobile phone available.	LAA members
Spread of pathogen or non-native species	Human, animal and environmental health.	LAA members, Land owner, Contractor, Visitors or Volunteers	All field staff to carry disinfectant. WRT biosecurity procedure to be followed between all sites.	LAA members
Transport	Injury, Property damage.	LAA members, Land owner, Contractor,	Ensure vehicles are in good repair. Vehicles must be taxed, MOT'd and insured in accordance with UK law.	LAA members

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		Visitors or Volunteers	Park off the road where possible.	
Firearms	Getting shot, Injury, Death	LAA members, Land owner, Contractor, Visitors or Volunteers	Do not attend site on a day when a shoot is being run. If shots are heard, make presence known if possible. Leave site if needed, or feel unsafe, or until risk passes. Wear high vis upper-body if felt necessary for being seen.	LAA members
Construction Sites and/or all quarry sites	Unstable stone, explosives, collision with heavy plant, dust	LAA members, Land owner, Contractor, Visitors or Volunteers	Follow site rules at all times and sign in/out. Do not enter active quarrying areas. If working in Forestry owned sites First Aid + F is desirable when carrying out high risk activities. Ear full PPE including helmet, hi-viz tabard and steel toes capped safety boots.	LAA members
Ladder Access	Fall and injury	LAA members, Land owner, Contractor, Visitors or Volunteers	No lone working. Always have another person to foot or hold the ladder.	LAA members
Instream work	Deep Water	LAA members	Wear waders/dry suit and life jacket when appropriate. Use wading staff. Secunder on hand at all times with throw line.	LAA members
Hand Tools & Equipment	Bumps, cuts, and scratches	LAA members	Use on only proprietary tools and equipment and only for their intended use. All tools to be used in accordance with relevant best practice.	LAA members
Wildlife Area Management inc. tree planting	Bumps, cuts, and scratches	LAA members	Use on only proprietary tools and equipment and only for their intended use. All tools to be used in accordance with relevant best practice. Where appropriate PPE including footwear, gloves, helmet (pole saw).	LAA members

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Balsam Control	Cuts and scratches	LAA members	Where appropriate PPE, cover arms. Always work in pairs or larger groups.	LAA members
Insect Bites	Horse flies, ticks and wasps	LAA members	Report relevant allergies to LAA party leader prior to visiting site. Keep skin covered, antiseptic cream available. Check for ticks when leaving site – be aware of Lyme Disease and monitoring protocols, should you be bitten.	LAA members
Weil's Disease	Infection from water/rat urine	LAA members, Land owner, Contractor, Visitors or Volunteers	Avoid touching face with wet/dirty hands. Wash hands prior to eating and on completion of operation. Use proprietary hand sanitiser when in the field.	LAA members

Dynamic RA Additions – Additional Site-Specific Controls and Comments can be included here

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Compiled by LAA Party Leader

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