

RISK ASSESSMENT; MEDICAL

Name: SAUCHIE JUNIORS FOOTBALL CLUB

Date of risk assessment: February 2026

What are the hazards?	Who might be harmed and how?	What are you already doing?	Do you need to do anything else to control this risk?	Action by whom?	Action by when?	Done
Medical Illness	Players, Spectators and Staff may suffer from a medical emergency when in attendance at the stadium.	First Aid personnel are provided by the club and St Andrew's Ambulance Association would be in attendance for big games with expected attendance over 2,500 capacity. Ambulance cover is arranged through the Scottish Ambulance Service. There is one First Aid room located in the pavilion. The Beechwood Park Contingency Plan confirms the roles of all agencies in the event of a major incident.	No	Nominated committee members	Reviewed annually	

You should review your risk assessment if you think it might no longer be valid (e.g. following an accident or if there are any significant changes to hazards, such as new equipment or activities)



This risk assessment was completed taking into consideration the following factors:

PHYSICAL FACTORS	
i. Physical layout (roads, car parks)	Beechwood Park is situated next to Main Street Sauchie, Scotland. The multi-agency Contingency Plan contains a traffic management plan for the stadium and there is easy access for emergency service vehicles. Vehicles can access the pitch all areas of the ground.
ii. Design of ground, areas of high risk	The stadium is mainly flat with traditional covered terracing on two sides of the pitch. It consists of one enclosure on the South side. There is the main stand and pavilion on the North side of the pitch. Total capacity for football matches is 3,000
iii. Location of control points, first aid posts & key locations	The main pavilion can act as a Control Room. With larger matches, it is anticipated that the Police will provide a more suitable mobile control room and in addition, the Club has also provided the club board room situated next to the pavilion for extra first aid or dope testing if required. The St Andrews First Aiders are in the First Aid Room which is in contact with the control room by two-way radio. There is one First Aid room for the stadium situated in the pavilion. As defined in the Contingency Plan key locations will be agreed at the time depending on the nature & location of the incident.
iv. Nature & location of radio & communications	The Safety Officer and Senior Stewards are issued with radios for communicating with each other. First Aid Personnel have their own radio which is situated in the First Aid room. First Aid Officer stands beside the Safety Officer during matches. All Club Senior Managers have mobile telephones for communication during games. At larger matches where Police are in attendance, Police personnel have their own radios. The Match Commander is generally near the Safety Officer for communication. The club doctor usually stands close to the PA hut and can be contacted easily.
SAFETY MANAGEMENT FACTORS	
i. Safety management structure & lines of communication	The Safety Management Structure for football matches is as follows – Match Commander – Senior Police Officer - Stadium Safety Officer – Safety & Operations Manager - Senior Stewards - Ambulance Incident Officer & Senior St Andrews Officer are all located in the First Aid room or in the PA Enclosure at the center line of the pitch beside the Safety Officer during the match. Lines of communication are as above.
ii. Ground contingency plans & emergency procedures	Beechwood Park Contingency Plan is a multi-agency plan which was last updated in July 2020. Within this plan will be a record of emergency procedures exercises undertaken.
iii. Staff training	All staff are trained to the level appropriate to their responsibility.
iv. Hazards & risks posed by event to spectators	Specific hazards posed by the event at football matches include severe weather, crowd disturbance
v. Composition & behaviour of crowd	The Stadium Safety Officer undertakes crowd profiling prior to all football matches & undertakes a risk assessment based on these findings.
vi. Historical data of injuries/ treatment etc	Anonymised records of all casualties who receive treatment are retained by the Stadium Safety Manager within the First Aid room. These statistics, along with actual crowd numbers, are utilised to assess potential casualty numbers for future events.
vii. Requirements of governing bodies	For football matches, Beechwood Park must comply with the requirements issued by Clackmannan Council.