



Covid-19 : Outdoor Range use Risk Assessment

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**This document is to be read by all members prior to attending events with
Monmouth & District Rifle Club**

If you are feeling unwell or have Covid 19 symptoms you must not visit MDRC, no matter how mild the symptoms. If you are displaying symptoms yourself, you must isolate for 7 days. If you are sharing a household with someone who is displaying symptoms you must isolate for 14 days.

Government advice is available at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-stay-at-home-guidance/stay-at-homeguidance-for-households-with-possible-coronavirus-covid-19-infection>

Aim

The aim of this Risk Assessment is to identify existing and potential Covid 19 transmission hazards associated with the use of outdoor rifle ranges and to demonstrate that the appropriate control measures, in accordance with Government guidance, are in place. General mitigation, in all areas will include:

- Social distancing of 2m+
- Avoidance of face to face contact
- Frequent of hand washing and surface cleaning

Activities

The primary activity is target shooting. This assessment will include members' arrival at the range, the occupation, use of the ranges and departure.

Members of the Committee, especially the Officers of the CIC, will provide support and advice upon the revised procedures and social distancing throughout.



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Hazards

1. A summary of the major hazards:

Ref	Hazard	RA
1	Transmission from other members	
2	Transmission from other range users	
3	Transmission from other persons/general public on site	
4	Transmission from equipment on site	
5	Transmission from communications equipment	
6	Transmission from communal areas	

PERSONS AT RISK

2. This Risk Assessment focuses upon the risk to range users. Landmarc/range operator staff will have been assessed separately by Landmarc/the range operator when using MoD ranges.

Risk Matrix

The risk matrix defines the level of risk by considering probability or likelihood against severity.

Likelihood		Risk Matrix		
Common/Regular/Frequent	3	Medium 3	High 6	High 9
Occasional	2	Low 2	Medium 4	High 6
Rare/infrequent	1	Low 1	Low 2	Medium 3
SEVERITY		1 Minor Injury or illness	2 Serious injury or illness	3 Fatality, major injury or illness

Hazard Ref	Risk Associated with the Hazard	Existing Control Measures	Risk Rating	Add Control	Review Freq
1	Transmission to/from members & Landmarc operatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Club members must not come to an outdoor range if they are displaying Covid-19 symptoms or sharing a household with someone who is displaying symptoms <p>Bookings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Range bookings will follow the Landmarc/range operator process - Club members must carry the NRA Shooter Competency Card (SCC) whilst on the range <p>Arrival and Departure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2 m Social distancing must be observed at all times, by all members as per MoD/Government/devolved Administration guidelines - Club officials must control member arrivals/departures in car park to ensure compliance with 2m social distancing - RCO will sign on/off the range and receive/return radio in accordance with the Landmarc procedure and local Covid-19 procedures (radio is for RCO use only) <p>Shooting Activity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Probationary members are not permitted to participate in club shoots during the Covid-19 restrictions - Club Guest Days are not permitted - The shooting activity will take place on the firing point & the area immediately behind the firing point – RCO must ensure compliance with Government/devolved Administration guidelines on group size - Consider use of alternate firing points to ensure social distance is maintained - Members will shoot in squads, assigned to a timed detail - Only one shooter per firing point/target - In the event of a medical emergency, the first aider will wear a mask & gloves when dealing with the casualty. In the event of a medical emergency the injured member will put on a mask if it is medically safe to do so 	2 x 2 Medium	Protocols and procedures	In accordance with changes to published guidance

- The RCO will be issued with mask and gloves in order to intervene should a safety incident occur.

Marking Activity

- RCO must designate a Butts Supervisor for the butt party who will be accountable for compliance with social distancing/hygiene in the Markers Gallery. Butt party and Supervisor must wear masks whilst in the butts/markers gallery.
- Only one marker per target
- Hythe frames are to be disinfected between users by anti-bacterial wipes or sprays. Alternatively, protective gloves should be issued to each detail on entering the butts
- Movement in/out of the butt must be controlled by RCO and Butts Supervisor and comply with 2m social distancing
- Butts Supervisor will control rigging/de rigging the range and compliance with social distancing/hygiene guidelines

2	Transmission from other range users	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Club officials must ensure separation of groups is enforced - Spectators will not be permitted on the range - The changeover on the firing point must be coordinated by the RCO and the Butts Supervisor - Equipment must not be shared between shooters - The requirement for Landmarc staff to converse with range users is minimal, if necessary there is sufficient space to maintain social distancing - Members must limit interaction with other users and comply with 2m social distancing - RCO must ensure that any waste is removed from the range in sealed bags 	1 x 2 Low	N	
3	Transmission from other persons/general public on site	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Spectators will not be permitted on the range - Club members must not engage with other persons/general public on the range 	1 x 2 Low		

4	Transmission from equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Club members must not share a vehicle unless they are part of the same household. - Club radios must be wiped down and placed in Ziploc bags - RCO/Butts Supervisor must ensure that target frames, radios, field telephone, butt flag, SARTS tablets are wiped down at the beginning and end of each detail. - Club members must sanitise their hands with alcohol based sanitiser of at least 60% alcohol content, before and after using target frames or tablets at the beginning and end of each detail. - In the event of a fault on target equipment the Butts Supervisor is to report the fault and retire from the equipment whilst it is repaired/adjusted - In the event of a firearm fault/malfunction the firearm is to be made as safe as possible laid flat pointing at the target and the club armourer tasked - All used PPE and wipes must be removed from the range in sealed bags <p>Club members are not permitted to access or to use tools and equipment belonging to Landmarc/range operator</p>	2x2 Medium		
5	Transmission from communications equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Field telephones will be wiped down on change of user. - Club radios must be wiped down and kept in a Ziploc bag and reserved for use by the RCO, Butt Supervisor - Landmarc radio to be handled in accordance with local Covid-19 procedures. 	1 x 2 Low		N
6	Transmission from communal areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Members must comply with 2m social distancing guidelines at all times on MoD range/premises - Members must comply with local hygiene protocols when using toilets and provide their own spray/gel/wipes. 	1 x 2 Low		N

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