# Curriculum activity risk assessment

# Throwing events — Javelin



## Activity scope

This document relates to student participation in throwing the Javelin as a curriculum activity.

#### Risk level

The actual risk level will vary according to the specific circumstances of the activity and these **must** be considered when assessing the inherent risk level and planning the activity. As a starting point, ask the following questions:



- What will the students be doing?
- What will the students be using?

Inherent risk level



- Where will the students be?
- Who will be leading the activity?

Action required / approval

	High	Likely chance of a serious incident and injury requiring medical treatment.	<ul> <li>☑ A Curriculum Activity Risk Assessment must be completed.</li> <li>☑ Principal or delegated Deputy Principal or Head of Program (i.e. HOD HOSES, HOC) to review and approve risk assessment.</li> <li>☑ Obtaining parental permission is recommended.</li> <li>☑ Once approved, activity details are to be entered into the School Curriculum Activity Register.</li> </ul>		
	chers/lead				
Star	t date:		Finish date:	No of students (approx.):	
Clas	ss groups:			Supervision ratio (approx.):	



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Listed below are the minimum recommendations for this type of activity. For any items ticked 'No', provide further information regarding the additional or alternate controls to be implemented for the safe conduct of the activity.

Minimum supervision				
Adequate adult supervision is to be provided. In determining what is adequate, consider the number of students, their individual needs, and the nature of the activity.				
If an adult other than a registered teacher is engaged for instruction, a teacher should be present to take overall responsibility. Blue Card requirements <b>must</b> be adhered to.				
Registered teacher with minimum qualifications as outlined below  OR				
An adult with minimum qualifications as outlined below, in the presence of a registered teacher.				
Further information:				
Minimum qualifications				
The qualifications listed in this section are minimums for each type of situation. Leaders are encouraged to seek training to raise their qualification level above the minimum listed.				
Current first aid qualifications including Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) or ready access to first aid facilities, including qualified personnel.	I			
Blue Card requirements met.				
High – Likely chance of a serious incident and injury requiring medical treatment.				
For a registered teacher with qualifications in Physical Education (PE):				
Get Active Queensland Athletics Coaching — Parts A and B qualification  OR				
Level 1 accreditation from the <u>Australian Track and Field Coaches Association</u> OR				
Competence (demonstrated ability / experience to undertake the activity) in the teaching of Javelin.  A teacher could demonstrate their competency to conduct an activity to the person approving the Curriculum Activity Risk Assessment through their:				
knowledge of the activity and the associated hazards and risks				
experience (i.e. previous involvement) in undertaking the activity				
demonstrated ability and/or expertise to undertake the activity				
possession of qualifications related to the activity.				
For a leader other than a registered teacher:				
Get Active Queensland Athletics Coaching — Part A qualification  OR				
Level 1 accreditation from the <u>Australian Track and Field Coaches Association</u>				
Further information:				

Minimum equipment/facilities	Yes	No
First aid kit suitable for activity.		
Communication system:  phone-line at location  mobile phone  walkie talkies/UHF Radio  student/adult mes	ssenger	
Sun safety equipment (hat, sunscreen, shirt etc)		
Drinking water (students should not share drinking containers)		
Throwing and landing areas that conform to International Amateur Athletic Federation specifications		
Highly visible markers to identify approach, throwing and landing areas		
Coverning hading/approjetions	Voc	No
Governing bodies/associations	Yes	No
Guidelines/codes of practice are established for this activity.  See <u>IAAF</u> International Association of Athletics Federations.  Have these been considered during the planning of this activity?		
Further information:		

# Hazards and suggested control measures

All persons engaging in this activity should:

- identify the hazards, including any additional hazards not mentioned here
- assess their significance
- manage the potential risks.

Listed below are indicative hazards/risks and suggested control measures. They are by no means exhaustive lists. Add details of any other identified hazards/risks and additional controls you intend to implement.

Hazards/risks	Control measures	Yes	No	Implementation plan / Additional controls
Environmental conditions  • Weather	<ul> <li>Assess weather conditions before and during activity (e.g. temperature, storms).</li> </ul>			
<ul><li>Temperature</li><li>Surfaces</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Assess suitability of activity area (e.g. level, debris, potholes/divots in ground, line markers) before and during activity.</li> </ul>			
Fast moving, heavy objects  Throwing	<ul> <li>Instruct students about safety rules before equipment is issued.</li> </ul>			
implements	<ul> <li>Supervise the approach/launch area and throwing sector at all times.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Instruct students to check that there is nobody in the sector before they start preparation for the throw.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Establish a system of commands to signal when students are to retrieve implements.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Do not allow 'pair' or return throwing.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Dry implements before each throw if conditions cause dampness.</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Check equipment for damage before and during use.</li> </ul>			
Physical exertion  • Strains and	Have appropriate warm-up and warm-down activities.			
sprains • Cramps	<ul> <li>Follow progressive and sequential skills development.</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>Exhaustion and fatigue</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Continuously monitor students for signs of fatigue and exhaustion.</li> </ul>			
	Have ice packs available.			

Hazards/risks	Control measures	Yes	No	Implementation plan / Additional controls
Sharp implements or objects  • Javelins	Ensure that javelins are carried by the grip and in a vertical position with tail up, except when the thrower has entered the specific approach area and is preparing to throw.			
	<ul> <li>Instruct students not to run at any time with or without the javelin, except when preparing to throw.</li> </ul>			
	Instruct students to place one hand over the tail end of the javelin before attempting to pull it from the ground.			
	Instruct students to place one hand over the tip of the tail end when picking up a javelin lying flat on the ground. This hand should be kept in place until the tail end is raised above head height as the javelin is lifted into the vertical position.			
Students	Obtain parental permission, including relevant medical information.			
<ul> <li>High risk behaviours</li> <li>Medical conditions</li> <li>Student numbers</li> </ul>	When students with medical conditions are involved, ensure that relevant medical/emergency plans and medications are readily available. (insulin, Ventolin, Epipen, etc).			
	Refer to Individual Education Plan/Educational Adjustment Plan/Behaviour Management Plan and other student documents.			
	Where necessary, obtain advice from relevant Advisory Visiting Teachers or Specialist Teachers.			
	Ensure adequate adult supervision.			

Additional control measures							
These would relate to the specific student needs, location and conditions in which you are conducting your activity							
Hazai	rds/risks		Control measures				
Submit	ted by:			Date:			
List the	names of the	ose who were involved in the preparat	tion of this risk assessme	ent.			
Appro	oval						
	Approved a	as submitted:	s submitted:				
	Approved v	with the following condition(s):					
	Not approv	red for the following reason(s):					
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By:			Designation:				
Signed: KJM En		Date:					
Once approved, activity details should be entered into the <b>School Curriculum Activity Register</b> by administrative staff.  Reference No.							

Monitor and review To be completed during and/or after the activity and/or at the completion of the series of the activities.	Yes	No
Are the control measures still effective?		
Have there been any changes?		
Are further actions required?		
Details:		

## Important links

- SCM-PR-002: School Excursions http://education.qld.gov.au/strategic/eppr/schools/scmpr002/
- HLS-PR-003: First Aid http://education.qld.gov.au/strategic/eppr/health/hlspr003/
- HLS-PR-004: Infection Control and Management of Prescribed Contagious Conditions http://education.qld.gov.au/strategic/eppr/health/hlspr004/
- Infection Control Guideline: http://education.qld.gov.au/health/pdfs/healthsafety/infection\_control\_guideline.pdf
- HLS-PR-005: Health and Safety Incident Reporting and Notification http://education.gld.gov.au/strategic/eppr/health/hlspr005/
- HLS-PR-013: Developing a Sun Safety Strategy <a href="http://education.qld.gov.au/strategic/eppr/health/hlspr013/">http://education.qld.gov.au/strategic/eppr/health/hlspr013/</a>
- HRM-PR-010: Working with Children Check Blue Cards http://education.qld.gov.au/strategic/eppr/hr/hrmpr010/
- HLS-PR-006: Managing Occupational Risks with Chemicals <a href="http://education.qld.gov.au/strategic/eppr/health/hlspr006/hs16.pdf">http://education.qld.gov.au/strategic/eppr/health/hlspr006/hs16.pdf</a>
- Get Active Queensland Accreditation Program
   http://www.sportrec.qld.gov.au/CommunityPrograms/Schoolcommunity/GetActiveQueenslandAccreditation
   Program/Courseinformation.aspx
- International Amateur Athletic Federation http://www.iaaf.org/aboutiaaf/publications/regulations/index.html

#### **Further information**

For further information on incorporating risk management strategies into curriculum activity planning refer to <a href="https://example.com/HLS-PR-012">HLS-PR-012</a> Managing Risks in Curriculum Activities and the associated list of <a href="https://example.com/Curriculum Activity Risk">Curriculum Activity Risk</a> <a href="https://example.com/Assessment Guidelines">Assessment Guidelines</a>. (See: <a href="http://education.qld.gov.au/strategic/eppr/health/hlspr012/index1.html">https://education.qld.gov.au/strategic/eppr/health/hlspr012/index1.html</a>)

For further support with risk management training and advice, contact trained staff in schools such as Workplace Health and Safety Officers (WHSOs) and Workplace Health and Safety Representatives (WHSRs), and regional staff such as Senior Health and Safety Consultants.